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SAPRU'S ANSWER TO JINNAH AND AMBEDKAR

Denial Of 'Understanding' With Gandhiji

SCOPE AND FUNCTIONS OF CONCILIATION COMMITTEE EXPLAINED

"There is no kind of understanding between Gandhiji and me with regard to the nature of our discussions or the solution we suggest," says Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru opening the Non-Party Conciliation Committee meeting at New Delhi on Friday evening.

Defining the scope and functions of the Committee, Sir Tej says that it was not their object to frame a detailed constitution which task would be left to the sub-committees to go into and report to the Conciliation Committee.

SAPRU'S OPENING ADDRESS

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29.—"Our essential duty," Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru said, "is to apply our minds to the basis of the constitution, not to detailed provisions of the constitution."

He added: "We are approaching our task in the true spirit of humility. The sincerity of our motives may be attacked; we may be supposed to carry on a diabolical conspiracy against others; but we have nothing to conceal; we have nothing of which we need feel ashamed. We only claim the common right of the citizens of this country to form and express our opinions for what they are worth."

TWO SUB-COMMITTEES

Sir Tej Bahadur explained that the committee would form two sub-committees. One, which would be the most important sub-committee, would deal with the general question giving rise to political and constitutional issues. The other sub-committee would go into the question of Sikhs and other non-Muslim minorities. When the reports of the two sub-committees were ready and other materials were also ready, he proposed to invite the main committee to meet again probably in Delhi, to consider them, write their report and issue it to the country. Some members of the Committee might have to undertake some touring of the country before the report was prepared. With the issue of its report, the committee would cease to exist. It was no part of its duty to carry on propaganda in favour of its report. It would be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Non-Party Conference to get the views of this Committee accepted.

"The idea of appointing this committee was mine", he declared. "Whether it is good or bad, whether it is going to lead to useful results or end in failure, the responsibility is mine." He reiterated that it was not during his first visit to Mr. Gandhi but during his second visit about November 9, that he put forward the idea of this committee to Mr. Gandhi.

"I did not want his blessings
I do not want the blessings of any one. Our work must be judged on its merits. There was no kind of understanding between him and me or any one of us with regard to the nature of our discussions or the solution we suggest.

"UNDILUTED FASCISM"

Referring to the resolution under which the Conciliation Committee was appointed, Sir Tej Bahadur mentioned the criticism that the committee had no authority. In reply he did not wish to put it higher than to express the sincere hope that the time was far distant when the citizens of this country would be denied the right to form their own opinion and express that opinion. Such a denial would be fascism, undiluted fascism.

WILL WELCOME CRITICISM

"It is open to us to form our opinion and express it freely and frankly; so long as we approach our task as honest, fair and free men, we need not be afraid of any criticism. On the contrary we shall welcome criticism.

The object of the Committee, Sir Tej Bahadur made it clear, was not to frame a detailed constitution. That must be left to some other body and he hoped that that body would come into existence.

The resolution appointing the Conciliation Committee called upon the Committee to put inself in touch with different parties and leaders.

During the last one month or so he had been in touch with a very large number of people.

ENCOURAGING LETTERS

"Let me assure you", said Sir Tej Bahadur, "I have got some very encouraging letters and memoranda, even from Muslims. They will be published in course of time." Sir Tej Bahadur mentioned that as many as nine memoranda were from Muslims; one valuable memorandum had come from a very distinguished Muslim, who had approached the problem from an entirely independent point of view. Sir Tej Bahadur had also received similar encouraging letters from quarters from which he did not expect any encouragement. He had received letters and telegrams from England and some of these he hoped to issue in course of time.

ANSWER TO JINNAH

"I have tried to approach Mr. Jinnah. He does not want to recognise the Non-Party Conference or this Committee. I have no quarrel with him. He may not recognise us, but we recognise ourselves. That is my answer. This Committee will go on. This Committee must discharge its duty." He had tried to approach the Sikh leaders and had received an encouraging reply from Master Tara Singh. He had approached Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookherjee and Mr. Savarkar; they agreed to see him after the Bilaspur conference.

AMBEDKAR'S ATTITUDE

One of the questions which the Committee would have to consider was whether additional members should be appointed. He was quite aware of the unwieldy size of the Committee as it was; but he had received requests from 26 different gentlemen from all parts of the country for addition to the Committee. This Committee, Sir Tej Bahadur pointed out, was not established on the basis of representation of each caste or community; but he left it to the committee to decide for itself on this question. He was anxious to get representation of the Scheduled Classes. At one stage, Dr. Ambedkar seemed agreeable to help the Committee in this matter but later he said he did not approve of some of the committee's members—Sir Tej Bahadur did not know who were the sinners. However, the amount of literature available about the Depressed Classes was enormous and there were men in this Committee to whom the interests of the Scheduled Classes were as dear as to any leader of those classes.

It was his intention that the Committee should form some sub-committees. So far as the general question which gave rise to political and constitutional issues was concerned, he would see that there was a fairly large number of trained lawyers on the sub-committee. This would be the most important sub-committee and he hoped it would give us a good report. There would be another sub-committee which would go into the question of Sikhs and other non-Muslim minorities.

When the report of these sub-committees and other material were ready he proposed to invite the Conciliation Committee to meet in Delhi, consider them and make its report. The committee would issue report to the country and then become 'functus officio.'

The following members attended the meeting:

The Metropolitan of India, Sir S. Radhakrishnan, Sir Maharaj Singh, Sir Jagdish Prasad, Sir Gopalaswami Iyengar, Mr. Tushar Kanti Ghosh, Mr. N. M. Joshi, Mr. P. R. Das, S. Sant Singh, S. Harnam Singh, K. B. Nabi Bux Hussain, Sir H. P. Mody, Dr. John Mathai, Dr. P. K. Sen, Mr. Frank Anthony, Mr. B. L. Rallia Ram.

Four Sub-Committees Set Up

The proceedings of the Conciliation Committee today lasted till 6-15 and were thereafter adjourned till tomorrow morning. It is officially stated that the Committee decided to limit the number of the Committee to 30 and the committee authorised the Chairman to co-opt four more persons.

Four Sub-Committees were appointed. One to discuss the general basis of the constitution with special reference to Hindu-Muslim relations, the second to deal with the position of the Scheduled Castes, the third with that of other minorities and the fourth to deal with economic and financial aspects of the future constitution. Later the committee took up the questionnaire and it was decided to submit a revised questionnaire at tomorrow's meeting in the light of the suggestions made by various members.

NOTICE TO READERS

Monday being New Year day, the office of the "Bombay Chronicle" will remain closed. There will, therefore, be no issue of the "Bombay Chronicle" on Tuesday, January 2, 1945.

CLOTH LESS THAN 10 SEERS SEIZED

Passengers Taken Into Custody At Viramgam

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 29.

Conflicting reports in newspapers and complicated interviews of officers have put numerous railway passengers in a fix at Viramgaum Station. Thirty passengers coming from Ahmedabad and Bombay with cloth weighing less than 10 seers were taken into custody there and their cloth was seized. They carried cloth relying on reports in newspapers that 10 seers of cloth for personal use were allowed in Kathiawar. One respectable lady who possessed cloth returned to Bombay without proceeding to Kathiawar where she intended to go.

Fresh Ordinance To Deal With Black Market Racket?

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29.

Government of India in Civil Supplies Department are negotiating with War Department what amount of finer cloth the latter could make available for civilian consumption by switching on to other kinds of cloth.

Efforts are also being made to assist industrialists to import machinery for manufacture of finer cloth.

Meanwhile, it appears, the warning given by Sir Akabar Hydari to cloth dealers had gone unheeded and Government will shortly come out with an ordinance taking additional powers to deal with the black market racket.

Joint Secretary Mr. H. M. Patel is visiting Bombay early next month to discuss this question with textile interests.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

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ELAS Shell Athens Crowd

Greek National Guards Repulse Attacks

ATHENS, Dec. 29.—ELAS' 75-millimetre guns dropped a few shells in the centre of Athens to-day scattering curfew crowds.

Reuter adds: "Curfew hours to enable Athens citizens to do shopping or other necessary errands were recently fixed by General Scobie as noon to 2 p.m. General Scobie also recently warned Athens citizens to withdraw from the immediate vicinity of ELAS guns which would be attacked by every means at his disposal if they fired on Athens.

British forces at the first light today attacked the Ardhittos Hill, one of the few remaining insurgent strongholds near the centre of Athens, writes Reuter's special correspondent in Athens.

The attack was preceded by an artillery barrage laid down by batteries of 25-pounders and Shermans. For nearly two hours the crump of shell bursts and chatter of Tommy-gun fire went on ceaselessly. A pall of smoke now hangs over the whole of the south-eastern suburb.

British and Greek regular forces have today captured a total of 7,500 prisoners, it is authoritatively stated today. The first armoured car which ELAS forces used in the Athens fighting was knocked out by a Sherman tank in Iroon district northwest of Acropolis to-day. In their first major engagement men of the newly formed Greek National Guard before dawn today beat back a small attack against the western slopes of Likavettus hill. Shell-fire from British tanks supported the National Guard.

Greek Premier's Telegram To King

ATHENS, Dec. 29.—The Greek Premier M. Papandreou has virtually resigned his Premiership, it is learned in Athens to-day. He is expected to submit his formal resignation when the Regency has been designated.

M. Papandreou is understood to have sent a telegram to the Greek King announcing placing the resignation at the disposal of Greek circles."—Reuter.

STETTINIUS TO MEET EDEN

LONDON, Dec. 29: A report from Washington states the United States Secretary Mr. Edward Stettinius, is expected to meet Mr. Anthony Eden who, together with Prime Minister Churchill, left Athens for London yesterday. Mr. Stettinius, the report adds, will receive a first-hand account of the Greek situation from Mr. Eden and possibly the Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs, M. Molotov, will join them.—Reuter.

CHURCHILL AND EDEN BACK IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden have arrived back in Britain.

Lord Moran, Mr. Churchill's medical adviser, accompanied the Prime Minister.

CLIMAX IN BATTLE FOR BUDAPEST

More Holes Punched In German Defences

From Reuter's Special Correspondent.

MOSCOW, Dec. 29.

The climax is near in the week-old battle for Budapest. General Tolbukhin's assault troops "mouseholing" the walls of houses are believed to have driven a deep wedge into hilly Buda, the western section of the city.

On the other side of the Danube, Marshal Malinovsky's offensive is in full blast, not giving the encircled Germans a moment's respite. There is no further news available on the fate of the German troops penned in the Danube elbow north of Budapest.

Soviet troops were to-day pushing the Germans step by step nearer the centre of Budapest. More holes were punched in the German defences.

Red Army units are now firmly established on a ninety mile front facing Vienna. They are a little more than 60 miles from the Bratislava gap as they battle against the German's Hron line. Germans are resisting fiercely from Steelhooded cupolas on the western side of Hron —one of the main water barriers between the Red Army and the Austrian border.

Marshal Malinovsky's troops, however, are believed to have crossed the river in at least one sector.

A Berlin "communique" says: "North of the Danube, our troops moved to the west bank of the Hron river. The garrison of Budapest defended the heart of the city against heavy Soviet attacks".—Reuter.

Cairo Talks To Pave Way For Pan-Arab Congress

CAIRO, Dec. 29.—Tewfik L. Emari Bey, Foreign Minister of Iraq, arrived in Cairo for conversations prior to the opening of the Pan-Arab Congress next month.

Nuri El Said who has been here for the last four weeks is taking part in the talks.

Auni Abdel Hadi Bey, Palestine Arab Leader, is also here for consultations with the Egyptian Government.—Reuter.

PLEA FOR INDO-SOUTH AFRICAN R. T. C.

MARITZBURG, Dec 28: The "Natal Witness" in an editorial to-day makes a plea for a Round Table Conference between the Governments of India and the Union as a way out of the "impasse that has been reached, in which our relations with India are more likely to deteriorate than to improve".

The Executive Committee of the Representative Assembly of Congressmen in the U.P. will meet at Cawnpore on January 6 and 7.

"More Disadvantageous To Muslim Pakistan"

Dr. Mahmud On Implications Of League Demand For Division Of India

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Dec. 29.—Dr. Syed Mahmud, Member, Congress Working Committee, addressing 200 prominent Congress workers of Hyderabad and districts, said that there was no cause for anybody to despair of the political situation in India. Though the objective could not be achieved in 1942 because the necessary sacrifice was not coming forth, the movement certainly showed what tremendous sacrifices people could make.

Elemental forces now working throughout the world, he said, would create a situation which would be in favour of democracy and freedom of every nation, but India should depend upon her own strength to achieve freedom and should not rely on the support from America or any other country.

NOT PEOPLE'S WAR

Referring to the war, Dr. Mahmud said that no Communist had been able to convince him that the present war was a people's war.

Speaking about Pakistan, Dr. Mahmud observed that a division of India would be more disadvantageous to Muslim Pakistan than the people inhabiting the rest of India. He hoped that the Muslim League would realise the mistake and make a common cause with the other political parties.

Dr. Mahmud referred to the conditions in Indian States and said that the lot of the people in the Indian States would not improve unless conditions in British India improved. He urged that the administration of the States be on a democratic basis and advised the people of the States to stand by the people of British India in achieving freedom.

Dr. Mahmud expressed complete confidence in Mahatma Gandhi's leadership and exhorted Congress workers in Hyderabad to carry out Mahatma Gandhi's leadership and exhorted Congress workers in Hyderabad to carry out Mahatma Gandhi's constructive programme.—A.P.

Amery Will Open India "Art In Industry Exhibition"

(From A. K. Quereshi, Associated Press of India Correspondent.)

LONDON, Dec. 29.

Mr. Amery will open the India "art in Industry" exhibition being held here from January 8 to 20. The exhibition is the outcome of the movement initiated in India four years ago by certain industrialists and public spirited individuals with the support of the Government of India, and its object was to discover and assist Indian artistic talent to meet the requirements of manufacturers and commercial advertisers. During this period the exhibitions had been held annually in India.

Some selected entries out of last year's exhibition have now been sent here by the Government of India to give commercial interests in Britain some idea of the standard of work now produced in India.

Although the exhibits which will be on view cover only a few branches of commercial art and industrial design, manufacturers in Britain who are planning for expansion of export trade with India may find some guidance in this exhibition.—A. P.

FIGHTING DIES DOWN IN CERCHIO VALLEY

ALLIED MEDITERRANEAN HQ. Dec. 29: To-day's Communique said: Fighting has died down in the Cerchio valley. Activity on the fronts of both the Fifth and Eighth Armies has been confined to patrolling.

Strong forces of escorted Fifteenth Allied Air Force heavy bombers yesterday bombed oil and rail targets in Germany. Royal Air Force heavy bombers on the night of December 28/29 bombed on the vicinity of Casarsa. In air operations eight enemy aircraft were destroyed on ground. Eleven of our planes are missing.—Reuter.

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ARDHITTOS HILL CLEARED

ATHENS, Dec. 29.—British forces have cleared Ardhittos Hill near the centre of Athens.—Reuter.

BRITISH CABINET MEETING

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden were present at the Cabinet meeting tonight convened soon after their arrival in London.—Reuter.

RUNDSTEDT ON THE DEFENSIVE

Sudden Crack Between Stavelot And Hotton

S.H.A.E.F., Dec. 29: Rundstedt is on the defensive in several sectors. Under savage American artillery fire, German pressure is decreasing on the 25-mile front between Stavelot and Hotton, writes Reuter's special correspondent with the 21st Army Group Headquarters.

NAZIS EXPECTED REVERSAL

The German News Agency today quoted a Wilhelmstrasse military spokesman for the following statement: "As has been expected the German drive in the West has been halted to a certain degree. This is the result of heavy fluctuating attacks and counter-attacks which are at present going on. American troops are carrying out attacks at isolated Sectors against the northern flank of the new German positions."

American troops counter-attacking Rundstedt's salient in the Ardennes area have recaptured Granmenil and Manhay, east of Ourthe. Manhay stands at the junction of the two main roads to Liege and Namur. The Americans have also gone over to the attack at Humain, near Rochefort, and the village is partly held by Allied forces. Allied forces hammering at the southern flank of the German corridor have taken three more small towns.

The Germans have apparently not given up hope of taking Bastogne which is of vital importance to their operation. They launched a determined thrust to cut off the American corridor from the east and also attacked the northern perimeter of the town.

In the north, they made local penetration which was later wiped out with the destruction of 12 to 15 Panzers. The Germans seemed to be withdrawing their spearhead right back to an area where they have set up a panzer screen and blown bridges.

WITHDRAWAL IN SAAR AREA

Reuter's special correspondent with the U. S. Third Army, writes: United States troops which established a bridgehead at Dillingen on the east bank of the Saar and had cleared that heavily fortified Siegfried line town after 15 days hard pillbox fighting have been withdrawn to positions on the west bank of the river.

The German Overseas News Agency said today: "The second phase of the great winter battle in the west—the battle for consolidation of the German salient—has begun. Americans have withdrawn a great number of divisions from the Saar and Aachen fronts to attack the flank of the German bulge. General Eisenhower has concentrated about 15 divisions to stop the German advance."

The Germans are reported to be carrying out disorganised withdrawal in one sector with General Patton's troops hard on their heels. This is in the area of the Sure river (south-east of Bastogne) where Rundstedt's men in their flight are trying to swim the icy stream.

It was officially announced today that the besieged division inside Bastogne which has now been relieved was the United States 101st Airborne Division.

Reuter's military commentator says: Today's Allied 'communique' reveals that Marshal von Rundstedt's position in his corridor is worse than was thought. The recapture of Grandmenil and Manhay between Malmedy and Marche brings the Allied forces within five miles of one of the only two main roads left to Rundstedt to supply his forward units.

Both the Allied armies coming from the north and from the south are already within artillery range. The position, therefore, looks ominous for Rundstedt. The German announcement that he is now consolidating positions is questionable. He would have to form a front 150 miles long which the Allies are attacking from four sides.

Continuous patrol activity across the Maas indicates a possible direction of a further German attack. It is therefore likely that in order to meet all these contingencies a radical revision of all Allied Commands on the Western Front is imminent.

JUBBULPORE BAN ON RELEASED CONGRESSMEN'S CONFERENCE

Convener Postpones "Sine Die"

JUBBULPORE, Dec. 29.

The District Magistrate of Jubbulpore has prohibited the conference of the Mahakoshal released Congressmen which was to be held to-morrow and Sunday to consider the present political situation, under Rule 56 of the Defence of India Rules. Mr. B. N. Tiwari convener of the conference, has accordingly announced that the same has been postponed 'sine die'.

The Jubbulpore Congressmen have registered a protest against the order of the District Magistrate.—United Press.

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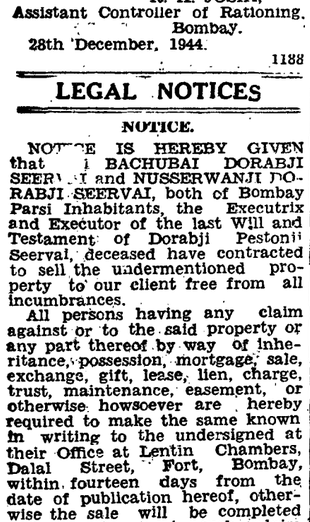

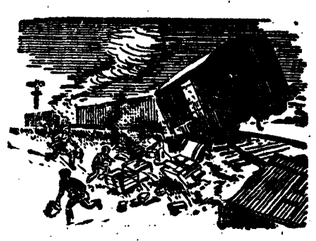
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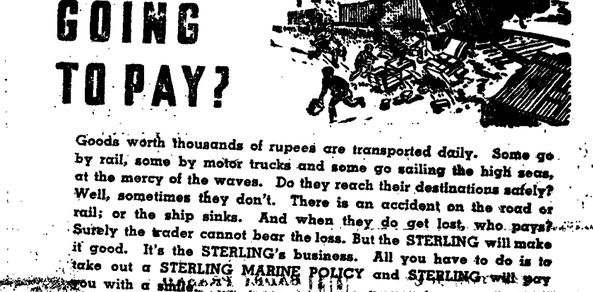
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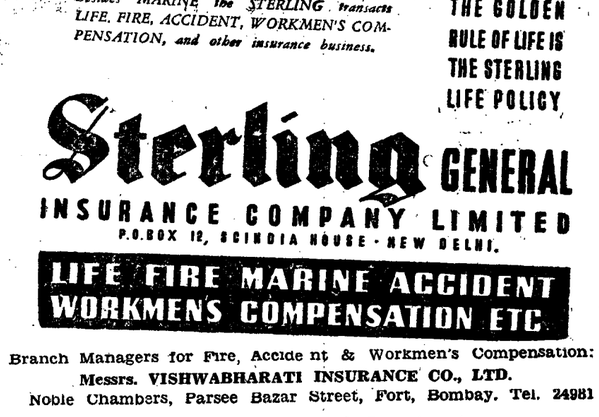

WHEN DEBTOR CHURCHILL BUNKED OFF

JOHANNESBURG. (By Mail).

In a barber shop in Pretoria, an old hairdresser has several times asked Gen. Smuts, when he next visits London to ask Mr. Winston Churchill for five shillings which he claims Mr. Churchill owes him.

The debt to which he refers dates back to the time when Mr. Churchill was a prisoner in Pretoria during the Boer war and owed the barber's brother money for haircuts. One night, high Boer prison officers heard a rustle in the trees near the prison wall over which Churchill escaped. Suspicion was, however, thrust aside by the reassuring explanation of one of the officers that it was just a cat. To this day, therefore, Churchill owes the barber five shillings, but the barber says it is an honour to have Churchill's name on his books.

PETROL DEALER GETS NINE YEARS

Charges Of Misappropriation And Forgery

LAHORE, Dec. 29: Karam Singh Sobti, an automobile engineer and petrol dealer of Lahore, was sentenced to-day by the District Magistrate, Lahore to an aggregate term of nine years' imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 3,02,500 on charges of contravening the provisions of the Motor Spirits Rationing (forgery and cheating) Order.

The District Magistrate awarding the sentence observed that the accused was one of the worst war criminals.

According to the prosecution the accused had entered into a contract with the military authorities for the supply of civilian vehicles to an M. T. training team at Jhelum. He was supplied with special receipts to withdraw petrol on their strength for taking the vehicles engaged from the place of engagement to Jhelum. The accused is alleged to have withdrawn petrol and misappropriated it thus contravening the Motor Spirits Rationing Order.

The accused in another case was alleged to have committed forgery of certain forms and cheated the military authorities at Jhelum in respect of his claim for payment for vehicles supplied by him to the military authorities.—A. P.

ALLIED ADVANCE IN BURMA CONTINUES

KANDY, Dec. 29: Following is today's SEAC Communique:—

15TH INDIAN CORPS FRONT: Our advance along the plain east of the Mayu range continued and our troops captured three villages from the Japanese in the Mayu river valley.

Many enemy dead were found in bunkers that had been smashed by Allied aircraft in a village nine miles south of Buthidaung.

In the Kaladan valley enemy artillery shelled our positions south-east of Kyauktaw.

FOURTEENTH ARMY: After passing through Pyingaing our troops are now nine miles south-east of it on the Shwegyin-Yeu road and advance continues.

NORTHERN COMBAT AREA: Chinese patrols were active south of the Namkham road yesterday and Mars Task Force west and south of Tonkwa. Troops of the 36th British Division patrolled south from the Tigyiang area.

CHUNGKING, Dec. 29: Aerodromes in the Canton area of South China were attacked by American fighters. Nine Japanese fighters were destroyed in air combat and one on the ground.

ART IN INDUSTRY PRIZE-WINNERS

BOMBAY, Dec. 29: The prize-winners of the 1945 Art in Industry Exhibition have now been announced. Over Rs. 20,000 has been awarded to artists.

Prize-winners of Rs 250 and over are: D. Sen Gupta (Cal.) Satyajit Roy (Cal.), Dhiran Baul (Simla), Victor Fernandez (Bom.), Miss K. Reuben (Bom.) Yeshwant M Purav (Bom.), J. Rebello (Bom.), I. B. Das Gupta (Cal.), C. R. Ghosh (Cal.) V. H. Rajwadkar (Bom.), C. O. Mehta (Bom.), Kanti Sen (Cal.) Narhar G. Godase (Bom.), D. D. Rathore (Bom.), Janardan D Gokhale (Bom.), Miss Mridur Roy (Cal.) Miss Namita Saha (Cal.), B. Sen Gupta (Cal.), Subal Paul (Simla), Makhan Dutta Gupta (Cal.), O. C. Ganguly (Cal.), Chandra Nath Dey (Cal.) Peter Johnson (Simla), W. V. Jangi (Bom.), Simon Danial (Bom.), G. K. Deshpande (Bom.), and Chandranath Dey (Cal.)

PROTEST AGAINST CONTROL PRICE OF "GUL"

In a largely signed representation addressed to the Collector of Surat the farmers of Amalsad have pointed out that the control price of Rs. 13 per maund of "gul" (jaggery), as fixed by him, is much below even the cost price of the article. Details of the expenses to be incurred in the manufacture of "gul" locally are given in the representation, which go to show that a pot of "gul" cannot be manufactured for less than Rs. 16. The representation says that the control price per maund needs to be raised to at Rs. 19 per maund to make its sale remunerative to the manufacturers. In this connection it is pointed out that in the surrounding Baroda State territories the farmers are allowed to sell their pure "gul" at the rate of Rs. 22 per Bengali maund.

The representation also urges that either the Collector's ban on the export of "gul" from the taluka and district should be lifted or the Government should arrange for the purchase of the "gul" at a reasonable price.

TWO BRITISH FLEETS TO FIGHT JAPAN

Germany Defeated As Naval Power, Says R. N. Review

LONDON, Dec. 29.

British submarines sank at least 400 German ships including more than 23 warships during 1944, according to an official review of Navy's activities during the year. The review says now that Germany has been defeated as a naval power.

The British Navy is assembling two mighty fleets to fight with the Americans against the Japanese. Mobility will be the keynote in the Pacific and the Fleet Air Arm is destined to play an increasingly important part. The review adds it can be assumed that the British Carrier Fleet will be the strongest that can be assembled there.

U.S. NAVY HAS 61,045 VESSELS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—A full picture of the United States Navy combat strength is given in the U.S. Navy Year-end report of naval production issued here to-day. The Navy now has 61,045 vessels on hand including more than 54,000 landing craft and other assault ships and a total of 1,167 combatant ships—more than three times the number at the time of the Pearl Harbour disaster. It is also revealed that U.S. Navy planes are to stabilize naval air power at 37,000 aircraft of all types—the number now on hand, which includes 26,401 tactical combat types.

FRASER ON ROYAL NAVY NEWS IN NIMITZ COMMUNIQUES

SYDNEY, Dec. 29.—Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser, Commander-in-Chief of the British Pacific Fleet commenting on the fact that the Royal Navy in the Pacific would be covered by the 'communiques' of Admiral Nimitz, said he did not know whether the 'communiques' would group all the Allied naval news or whether a special section would be devoted to news of the Royal Navy.—Reuter.

Jap Underground Highway

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The Japanese News Agency reports from Shimonoseki (which lies at the south-western tip of the Japanese main island) that after two years' work the Kannon underground national highway beneath the Straits of Shimonoseki, connecting the mainland with the big southern island of Kiushu, has been completed. The agency adds that the last yard of the tunnel will be blasted away during special opening ceremonies on December 30.—Reuter.

Father Of Jap Submarine Army Dead

LONDON, Dec. 29: The German overseas news agency said that Admiral Suetsugu, known as "Father of the Japanese Submarine army" died in Tokyo aged 65 to-day.

"He was Minister of Interior in the first Konoye Cabinet after retiring from active service in 1937. The last post he held was that of Adviser to the present Government".—Reuter.

Von Kluge Committed Suicide?

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Two names have been added to the considerable list of enemy generals who were killed in action, committed suicide after action or were "liquidated" by their war overlords.

The BBC reported to-day that the death of Nazi Field Marshal Guenther von Kluge has been confirmed by an Order of the Day by the German high command.

The Budapest radio announced today that General Ivan Hindy, identified as commander of the Hungarian troops defending the capital against the Russian advance, was killed in action.

Kluge had relieved Field Marshal von Rundstedt early last summer as supreme commander of the German forces on the Western Front.

The text of the Order of the Day signed by Field Marshal General Wilhelm Keitel, head of the German high command, was quoted by BBC as reading: "In view of the depressing responsibility of the outcome of the battle of Normandy, von Kluge resigned from his post as commander of the Western Front and subsequently committed suicide. Further comments on this incident are banned."—USOWI.

Licensing System For Traders In Drugs

NEW DELHI, Dec. 29.

Certain changes in the licensing system for manufacturers, importers, wholesalers, and retailers of drugs imposed by the Drugs Control Order, 1943, are notified in the Gazette of India dated Dec. 30, 1944, says a press note.

The licence fee for upcountry dealers has been revised and restricted licences at nominal fees will be granted to retailers who sell only a limited number of specified "household remedies." Restricted licences for wholesalers, manufacturers and importers who sell not more than five drugs were recently introduced. —A.P.

U. S. Move To Acquire Equador Bases

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29: Negotiations are proceeding between Equador and the United States involving military bases in Galapapos islands and Salinas, Reuter learns to-day, although both the State Department and the Equadorian Embassy declined to comment or even admit knowledge of such negotiations. Explosive reaction in Equador last August when an American Senator suggested acquisition of bases is seen as the reason for the secrecy. Use of military base by United States continues only for the duration of war under the existing agreement.—Reuter.

TWO PORTS FOR FR. NAVY.

LONDON, Dec. 29: The French radio stated that the British Navy has placed Dieppe and Boulogne in complete working order at the disposal of the French Navy.

Health Teaching In Primary Schools

Systematic health teaching and examination of the health of scholars have been started in 15 primary schools in the area in which the Sirur Health Unit is working, states he report on the operations of the Unit during the April-June quarter of 1944.

CUT OUT AND KEEP

MILK DISTRIBUTION CENTRES IN E WARD.

Below is given the list of Milk Distribution Centres in E Ward. The time of distribution at the Morning Centres (given in the left hand column) will be 6 a.m to 8 a.m. and at the Evening Centres (in the right hand column) 4 p.m. to 6 p.m

Cut out and preserve this list carefully and when the date is announced in due course please register the milk ration cards (for children below 6 years of age and expectant and nursing mothers) at any one of these Centres.

MORNING CENTRES.	EVENING CENTRES
E-37 Souter Urdu Boys' School, Sankli Street.	E-38 Byculla Station Road Marathi Girls' School, Haines Road
E-39 Chinchpogli Marathi Boys' School, Parel Road	E-40 Momlapura Urdu Girls' School, Byculla Station Road.
E-41 Love Lane Marathi Boys' School, Love Lane.	E-42 Ghodapdeo Marathi Girls' School, 139 Ghodapdeo Road.
E-43 Ghodapdeo Central Marathi Boys' School, Ghodapdeo Road.	E-44 Mazgaon Oil Bazar Marathi Boys' School, Nawab Tank Bridge Road.
E-45 Tadwadi Marathi Boys' School, St. Mary Road.	E-46 Mount Road Gujarathi Boys' School, Hasanabad.
E-47 Mazgaon Gujarathi Boys' School, Baptista's Bungalow.	E-48 Sir Elly Quadoorie School, Mazgaon Road.
E-49 Mazgaon Marathi Boys' School, Sarafwadi.	E-50 Temkar Street Urdu Girls' School.
E-51 Wadi Bunder Urdu Boys' School, Belvedere Road	E-52 Byculla Station Urdu Boys' School, Oppo: Railway Station.
E-53 Byculla Central Marathi Boys' School Jacob Circle.	E-54 Municipal Eye Hospital, Kamathipura Centre Road.
E-55 Madanpura Central Urdu Boys' School, 37, Morland Road.	E-56 Jacob Circle Urdu Girls' School, 606 Haines Road.
E-57 Nagpada Central Urdu Boys' School, New Agripada.	E-58 Jacob Circle Urdu Boys' School.
E-59 Khandia Street Urdu Boys' School Near Dayan Baug.	E-60 City Engineer's Ward Office for repairs Agripada.
E-61 City Engineer's Ward Office, Sankli Street.	E-62 St. Peter's School Mazgaon
E-63 Kamathipura Marathi Boys' School, Suklaji Street.	E-64 Chinchpogli Urdu Boys' School, Parel Road.
E-65 Municipal Dispensary, Opp. Nardulla Tank.	E-66 New Nagpada Marathi Boys' School.
E-67 Temkar Street Urdu Boys' School.	E-68 Ripon Road Urdu Boys' School.
E-69 Kamathipura Mixed Urdu Boys' School, Stable Street.	E-70 Mazgaon Hindi School, 115, Love Lane.
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Hightide: 7-36, 13-20.
Lowtide 7-48, 19-18.

To-day's Engagements

SRI KRISHNA MUSIC ACADEMY: Pioneeer Middle School, Telang Road, Matunga concert from 6 p.m.

BOMBAY SPIRITUAL CENTRE: Discourse by Sri D. V. Sabnis on Jnaneshwari, at 5-0 p.m., to-day (Saturday).

SARASWATI SANGEET SAMAJ: Concert of Vocal Music by Bai Shreemathibai Narvekar, Chhabildas High School Hall, Dadar (B. B. & C. I. R.), 9-30 a.m., to-morrow (Sunday)

MANGALOREAN A. R. I.: Actors will stage a Konkani drama "God Never Forgives The Treacherous" in 7 acts to-day (Saturday). at 8-30 p.m., at Damodar Thackersey Hall, Parel.

BOMBAY LEGAL AID SOCIETY renders Free Service to all persons too poor to pay lawyers' fees. President: Mr. F. A. Vakil, Solicitor, Office, Hamam House, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay.

BOMBAY KANNADA SANGHA: Lecture by Dr. Kameshwara Sharma of Pudukottah on "Medicine for Messes" at 6 p.m., in the premises of the Sangha, to-day (Saturday).

BOMBAY TAMIL SANGAM, MATUNGA: Mr. M. S. Sundaresa Iyer will deliver a lecture on 'Thirukkural' to-morrow (Sunday), at 10-00 a.m., at the Pioneer School, Telang Road.

WAZ AT SANKLI STREET: Moulvi Abdul Alim, Moulvi Mohaddis Saheb and Moulvi Aritullah will deliver Moharram Sermon, to-day (Saturday), at 10 p.m. (S. T.), at first lane Sankli Street.

SOUTH INDIAN BHAJANA SAMAJ, MATUNGA: The Harikatha Kalakshepam by Sri Vijayaraghava Bhagavathar fixed to-day (Saturday), has been cancelled owing to the Lunar Eclipse on that day.

BOMBAY SHROFFS' (BANKERS') ASSOCIATION LTD.: Hundi and other business will be closed to-day (Saturday), on account of the demise of Sheth Vallabhdas Murlidhardas of the Firm of Gangaram Chhabildas.

"G." WARD CONGRESS COMMITTEE: The Monthly Flag Salutation, Sunday the 31st December, at 9 a.m. (N. S. T.), in the compound of Madhav Bhuvan opp. B. B. & C. I. Railway Workship Lower Parel.

MONTHLY FLAG SALUTATION: Of the Girgaum District Congress Committee will take place on Sunday, 31st December, 1944, at 9 a.m. (N. S. T.), at Pandurang Wadi, opposite Borbhat Lane, Girgaum Road. Dr. N. S. Hardikar will hoist the Flag.

SOVIET EXHIBITION: At Podar College, Matunga will remain open to-day (Saturday) from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. and on Sunday and Monday from 9 p.m. to 12 noon and 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday is the last day of the exhibition.

LECTURE ON VEDANTA PHILOSOPHY: Swami Sambuddhananda of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar will deliver a lecture on different schools of Vedanta Philosophy at Ratilbol's Institute, Prescot Road, Fort, Bombay, to-day (Saturday), at 3-30 p.m.

SRI GURU SINGH SABHA: Bhai Pradhan Singh's party will conduct Gurbani Kirtan on Sunday, the 31st inst., in the Khalsa College Gurdwara from 7 to 9-0 a.m. and in the Singh Sabha Gurdwara, Frere Road, from 7-0 to 9-0 p.m.

BOMBAY PHYSICAL CULTURE ASSOCIATION: The Ceremony of Presenting of "Hind Trophies" to Champions of 1942 inter-School Tournaments of Indian Games will be held to-day (Saturday), at 5 p.m., at Gowalia Tank Maidan.

TO-DAY'S RAMANA JAYANTI PROGRAMME: 6 to 7 p.m.: Discourse (in Tamil) on "Moksha Swarupam" by Ubhaya Mimamsa Praveena Acharya, T. A. Venkateswara Dikshitar; 8-15 to 9 p.m.: Discourse (in Tamil) on "Sri Maharishi and Karma Yoga" by Sri I. Kameswara Sarma; 9 to 11 p.m.: Musical Entertainment by Sri P. K. Kalyanaraman.

BOMBAY SECONDARY ASSISTANT TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION: At an informal meeting of assistant teachers of High Schools in Bombay and Suburbs, held on Wednesday in the Maratha High School, Girgaon, it was decided to form an Association of the assistant teachers in the Secondary Schools of Bombay and Suburbs. The next meeting will be held in the second week of February, 1945. C. K. Sankholkar is authorised to convene this meeting.

INSURANCE SOCIETY.

The first annual meeting of the Insurance Society, Bombay, was held on Friday, at Commissariat Building when Mr. K. C. Desai, presided.

After the reading of the annual report and the statement of accounts which were adopted, Mr. K. C. Desai suggested for the establishment of a club for Insurance men, where they could meet and exchange their views.

Mr. H. E. Jones, Manager of the Oriental Government Security Life Ass: Co. Ltd., was unanimously elected as President. Messrs K. C. Desai, N. J. Gor Albert, Smith and Vijayasingh Govindjee were elected Vice-Presidents.

Thana District Women's Conference

(From Our Correspondent.)
DAHANU, Dec. 29.

Mrs. Yamuna Hirlekar will preside over the Thana District Women's Conference at Dahanu in the K. L. Ponda High School, to-day (Saturday). Mrs. Sumati Kirtane is Chairman of the Reception Committee.

About 25 resolutions have been tabled. One of them demands release of Congress leaders. Another condemns alleged Kolhapur police excesses on a woman.

Economics Of Post-War Reconstruction And 'Badakanche Gupit'

At 9-45 p.m. to-day (Saturday), Sir Theodere Gregory will broadcast from Delhi on 'The Economics of Post-War Reconstruction'. Sir Theodere's talk will be relayed by All-India Radio, Bombay on 244 and 89.15 metres.

This will be followed, again on both waves, by a light Marathi opera entitled 'Badakanche Gupit' at 10-00 p.m. The music for the opera has been specially written by D'Amel. The full AIR Orchestra will support the music.

Increase In Dearness Allowance Of Municipal Employees

The Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation, at its meeting on Friday, sanctioned an increase in the rate of dearness allowance from Rs. 18 to Rs. 22 to all Municipal employees drawing at present a salary of Rs. 300 and under per month. The suggested increase in the dearness allowance entails an additional expenditure of Rs. 10 lakhs to the Municipality.

Selections For Today's Races

ODDS ON SHOULD SCORE IN THOUSAND GUINEAS

Yawar Possesses Excellent Chance In Aga Khan's Cup

(From Our Racing Correspondent)

The Kashmir-owned Odds On, on merit, should account for her rivals in the 1,000 Guineas.

Sir Homi Mehta's Yawar possesses excellent chances in the Aga Khan's Cup.

The following are my selections:—

1st race: Waldye 1. Burhan II 2. Princess Hamiyah 3.

2nd race: Hot Stuff 1. Prince Dara 2. Sunflower 3.

3rd race: Shy Lady 1. Star Brilliant 2. Jassir 3.

4th race: Windsor Pie 1. Passing Bell 2. Gold Legion 3.

5th race: Odds On 1. Blue Pencil 2. Love Me 3.

6th race: Yawar 1. Chanak 2. Wonderful 3.

7th race: Nuit-de-Noel 1. Lidsdown 2. Cillas 3.

8th race: Star of Gujerat 1. Say When 2. Hurricane 3.

9th race: Mannawi 1. Micky Mouse 2. Desert Gem 3.

Dark Flukes: Paravant and Scotch Mist.

BOMBAY MEET W. I. S. C. A. IN RANJI TODAY

The following will represent Bombay and W. I. S. A. in the second round of the West Zone of the Ranji Trophy Tournament which begins at the Brabourne Stadium to-day Saturday.

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All-India Students Conference

Prof. Humayun Kabir will preside over the All-India Students' Conference. (8th session) Distinguished personalities like Smti. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, Sjt. S. K. Sinha (Ex-Premier, Bihar), Saikh Abdulla, M. R. Masani and Dr. Gilder will attend the Conference.

Owing to unavoidable circumstances the open session of the Conference will not be held on 30th but on 31st and 1st January, 1945. On 30th there will be subjects Committee meeting.

PROGRAMME.

Programme of All-India Students' Conference.

30th December: Subjects Committee meeting at 1 p.m.; 31st December: Open Session at 2-30 p.m.; i. Inaugural Address; ii. R. C. Chairman's Address; iii. General Secretary's Report; iv. Messages; v. Presidential Address; vi. Speeches by distinguished personalities like:—Smt. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, Sjt. S. K. Sinha (Ex-Premier Bihar), Sjt. Saikh Abdulla (Sher-E-Kashmir); vii. Resolutions; Labour and Students Rally at 9-30 p.m.: Com. Pishorilal will preside and other labour leaders like:—Sjt. Rohit Dave and Sjt. Joglekar will address; 1st January: Open Session at 2-30 p.m.: i. Resolutions; ii. Concluding Remarks; iii. Elections; iv. Thanks giving; v. National Anthem. Cultural Rally at 8 p.m.: Popular artists will display their talents. VENUE OF THE CONFERENCE: King George High School, Near Ruia College, Matunga (G. I. P.).

Women's Kannada Literary Conference

RABKAVI, Dec. 29: The Women's Kannada Literary Conference was held here yesterday under the presidentship of Mrs. Padmavati Bai Angadi of Belgaum. Her Highness the Ranisaheb of Sangli inaugurated the conference.

Mrs. Angadi in her presidential speech, made a plea for the spreading of Kannada literature.—A. P.

JOINT FUNERAL OF ILL-FATED PAIR

BOMBAY, Friday.

Sunderbai (30) of Katrak Road who received information this afternoon that her husband died in the K.E.M. Hospital, is reported to have rushed to the kitchen of her house, poured kerosene oil on her clothes, applied a lighted matchstick and burst into flames. She was removed to the K.E.M. Hospital where she died soon after admission. There was a joint funeral of the ill-fated pair.

INJURED POLICE OFFICER'S CONDITION

BOMBAY, Friday.

Sub-Inspector B. N. Shintre of the Prohibition Deptt. who was admitted into hospital last night after a serious motor accident at Girgaum Road is still in a precarious condition.

WOMEN'S HANDICAP BILLIARD TOURNAMENT

The Women's Handicap Billiards Tournament, run under the joint auspices of the Byculla Y.M.C.A. and the P.V.M. Gymkhana will be held at the latter Club for the second year from Monday Jan. 15 to Jan. 22.

The trophies are the Mrs. Donald Hill Challenge Cup for winner, the Miss Mary C. P. Wadia Challenge Cup for runners-up and the Sir Homi Mehta Challenge Cup for the highest break. Entries close on Friday January 12 and should be sent to Miss Bastavala, P.V.M. Gymkhana, Cooperage, together with the entrance fee of Rs. 3/-. The games will be 200 up and 250 for the final.

CLUB LEAGUE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Maharashtra Football Federation will commence Club League (Football) from Jan. 5 at the Engineering College ground.

This tournament is open to both civil and military teams. Entries will be accepted upto Jan. 2, 1945. Teams wishing to participate in this Football Club League tournament have to pay Rs. 6 (six) as affiliation fees and Rs. 6 (six) as Club League entry fees.

REQUEST TO CONGRESS PUBLISHING BOARD

At the meeting of the Karnataka Vidyarthi Samathi held on Dec. 24 a resolution was unanimously passed to request the Congress publishing board to take up the Kannada language also.

NEW DELHI, Dec. 28.

Miss K. Shanthi Ranga Rao, till recently Principal of the Indraprashta College, Delhi, has been appointed Second Deputy Chief Commander of the Women's Auxiliary Corps, India, being granted a direct commission with the rank of Colonel.—A.P.

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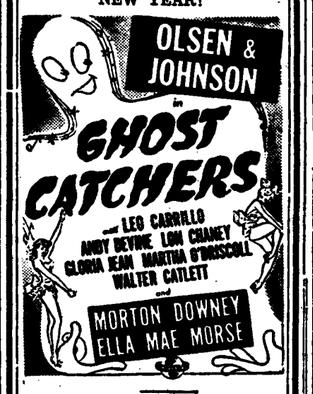

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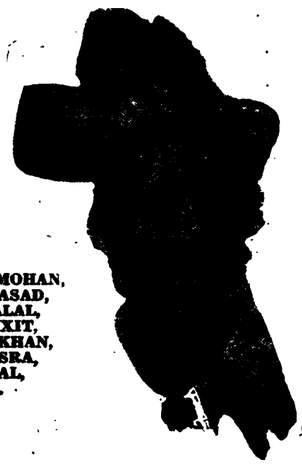

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

If what shone afar so grand,
Turn to nothing in thy hand,
On again; the virtue lies,
In the struggle, not the prize.
—R. M. Milnes.

The Bombay Chronicle

SECONDARY EDUCATION

Of the various problems dealt with by the principal speakers at the first session of the Bombay Provincial Headmasters' Conference, which commenced in the city on Thursday, not the least important was that of teachers' salaries. It is a truism that no school can be efficient if its teachers are ill-paid. Yet teachers in India are the worst paid class of public servants, considering their qualifications and responsibilities. They are paid even worse than journalists. Teaching is aptly described as the noblest vocation but the sorriest trade. In his convocation address to the Delhi University the other day Sir Maurice Gwyer remarked: "Governments have stood by and watched without emotion teachers being compelled to accept conditions of service which are a scandal and a disgrace. These things must stop if there is to be any progress in education". Sir Maurice spoke principally of University teachers. The conditions of service of school teachers are far more scandalous. And as Dr. G. S. Khair, the President of the Headmasters' Conference, pointed out, the strain on them has reached the breaking point under the present high prices. This is not a question that affects teachers alone. As suggested above, it lowers the efficiency of schools and affects millions of pupils. Sir Maurice rightly insists that such a state of things "must stop if there is to be any progress in education."

How is it to stop? Government alone can stop it speedily and effectively. And the best way to do so is to give adequate grants to the schools aided and controlled by it. Dr. Khair pointed out that in the expenditure of high school education pupils' fees provided 69 per cent and Government grants made up only 16 per cent, the remainder coming from municipal funds and other resources. This is a topsy-turvy state of things in a country like India where the Government ought to bear a much higher percentage of the cost of secondary education which is so rigidly controlled by it. Mr. I. H. Taunton, Adviser to the Governor perhaps realised this when he stated at the Conference that a higher scale of grants-in-aid to secondary schools in Bombay Province was likely to be made by Government from next year. Government should also see that there is a proper relation between grants and salaries paid to teachers. The whole question of Government grants and teachers' salaries should be taken up seriously by teachers' associations and the Standing Committees of teachers' conferences.

One of the most vexed questions of secondary education is regarding the high school curricula. For decades past the question has been discussed of separate curricula for those students who wish to take up service after leaving school and those who wish to proceed to the University. The Matriculation syllabus is meant for the latter class but has all these years dominated high schools. The problem of formulating two separate courses suited to the two classes and of making both popular is yet unsolved and will not be solved unless both Government and the University pursue it more earnestly and in a more co-operative spirit. The Matriculation syllabus itself is very defective and needs many improvements. The most serious defect is that it is extremely heavy. Mr. R. K. Murzaban, Chairman of the Reception Committee, remarked about the syllabus: "it is so heavy that beneath its compelling weight the student stands crushed and broken. And yet the University has very smugly decided to postpone consideration of the revision of the Matriculation syllabus till the cessation of hostilities." We do not know what the war has to do with the syllabus. However, the Vice-Chancellor is reported to have stated that, if the headmasters could frame a curriculum with a larger measure of unanimity among themselves than was so far evident, there was a fair prospect of the University accepting it. Mr. Murzaban rightly regards this as an opportunity to the Headmasters' Conference. His suggestion for a Committee to prepare a new syllabus deserves to be accepted by the Conference. It will be a great advantage if the basic principles governing the curricula for the two classes of high school students noted above are discussed in teachers' magazines and even in the general press.

Students' Conference

The All-India Students' Conference, which meets to-morrow in the city under the presidentship of Prof. Humayun Kabir, will, we trust, give a wise lead to the tens of thousands of students all over the country, anxious to play their due part in the service of their nation at a most critical time in its history. Indian students have given a good account of themselves in the various national movements of the past two decades and more. We have no doubt they will continue to do so. The problem confronting them now and the country in general is what work they can do, to the greatest advantage of the country. Most leaders and the leader of leaders, Mahatma Gandhi, are agreed that in the present circumstances the organising and consolidation of the country through constructive work is the best work for all Indians. Several items of the Constructive Programme should admirably suit students, e.g., promotion of literacy, popularising Hindustani in both the scripts, promotion of village industries and communal unity. No students with any insight will object that such activities have no political influence or value. Students can render invaluable service during their next long vacation. But it is better to plan it out early and make a beginning without any avoidable delay. We wish the Conference every success. Above all, we hope it will promote unity and united effort among students, irrespective of communal and other petty differences.

Frankly Speaking

A Desperate Move

It is only the London "Daily Mail" which is responsible for the report that Mr. Stimson, the U.S. War Secretary, has called for a report from General Eisenhower with the intention of effecting "a shake-up in the United States Command on the Western Front". The report has yet to be confirmed, but while there are plausible reasons to suggest it there are also good reasons to doubt it. Field Marshal von Rundstedt's move was undoubtedly a serious threat. Its zone and time—foggy weather—were cleverly chosen and the attack was brilliantly executed. But it was a move of desperation which, like all desperate moves, achieved considerable success for some time.

Big Possibilities

On the other hand, it brought the Germans into the open and drew them some fifty miles in certain area and it induced them to come out with almost all their available reserves. If the American commanders could after drawing the Germans out halt them and then strike a big blow, what was a threat to the Allies would turn into a disastrous defeat for the Germans. Reports of the situation during the last two or three days suggest that the Americans have already almost completed the first part of the counter-operation. The Germans have been held. Should the weather favour them it is still within the bounds of possibility that the American commanders would inflict a big defeat on the Germans and the present losses in men and equipment may ultimately prove to have economised in the cost of decisively beating the Germans. In fact, Mr. Stimson has himself said that the Germans have committed almost all their crack Panzer divisions to the offensive and that he is confident "that this German throw of the dice will have disastrous consequences for them."

Hopeful Prospects

We said yesterday that a Regency in Greece under Archbishop Damaskinos could at least keep the situation under control and, perhaps, even improve it. But what was necessary was that it should be established immediately. It is, therefore, encouraging to learn that on the Archbishop's representation Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden have undertaken to recommend acceptance of the plan by King George of the Hellenes. We hope the King's consent, of which there can be no doubt now, will be immediately forthcoming. Another difficulty also promises to remove itself. M. Papandreou, who was kept in office by Mr. Churchill, has patriotically wired his resignation to King George. That will enable Archbishop Damaskinos to appoint more generally acceptable Ministers. The prospects, while darkened by the failure of the Round Table Conference, still encourage hopes.

A SEAC Success

Good news, though minor enough compared to developments on other fronts in this global war, comes from Burma. Columns of the Fifteenth Indian Corps driving southwards down the Arakan coast have reached "Foul Point" at the tip of the Mayu Peninsula. "Foul Point" is four sea miles from Akyab island and guns at it could, as the SEAC notes points out, deny access to the Mayu river from Akyab thus cutting the water route to Japs fighting in Buthidaung. These Japs will be placed in a difficult position. But the gain is important because it renders possible a sea-borne attack on Akyab. The Fourteenth Army and the Chinese-American troops have undoubtedly made good though slow progress during the last few months. But an offensive in Burma on any appreciable scale will only begin with the recapture of Akyab.

Basic Education

In inaugurating the Bombay Provincial Basic Education Conference at Surat Mr. I. H. Taunton, Adviser to the Governor of Bombay, paid a deserved tribute to the principles of Basic education, sometimes called the Wardha scheme. "Basic education", he said, "is the very pattern of future education in this country". Its principles have been substantially accepted by the All-India Advisory Board of Education and by the Sargeant Report. It is true that there are some divergent views on the details of the scheme. But a fair consensus of opinion is certain in the light of experience. Many will agree with Mr. Taunton that the scope of the scheme may be broadened so as to include special crafts like agriculture and weaving to suit conditions obtaining in places in which the basic schools are situated. It is very gratifying, indeed, to be assured by Mr. Taunton that Government would accord every help, including financial, for the advancement of the scheme. But we cannot help feeling that it will be a far cry from promises to performances under the present constitutionally irresponsible Government in the province.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Sholapur Mill Affairs

I have read the letter of Mr. C. H. Bhabha, Chairman, the Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Mills Limited, published in your issue of December 26, and it seems that, among other things, he alleges that I am sort of a turncoat inasmuch as I supported the resolution for the issue of preference shares two years ago and now I am expressing strong views against it.

I must confess that I was taken in completely by the soft talks of the Agents at the time of issuing the preference shares. The shareholders were told that it was in their very best interests that the 5 per cent debentures should be redeemed by the help of issuing 3 per cent preference shares which would be only temporary and the company would be placed in a very strong position financially when the preference shares were paid off. I admit that I was greatly disillusioned when the real motive for issuing the preference shares came to light. The company did not require the whole capital as is evident from the fact that only 50 per share have been called and that has been quite sufficient to pay off the Debentures. Will Mr. Bhabha be good enough to explain the reasons for which the interested parties are buying these preference shares at Rs. 68 the full value of which is not higher than Rs. 56 including all dividends upto the date of redemption? A proposition which I should say in the words of Mr. D. C. Mehta 'No fool would touch with a pair of tongs for investments'. There are many other points which I need not raise in this letter as the real place and time for the discussion was the general meeting, but Mr. Bhabha, if I may say so, discourteously applied the gag on those who, perhaps he thought, would say things which would go against the Management.

In his letter he uses the word 'opposition' for the pleadings of the shareholders in the general meeting. The shareholders are virtually the proprietors of the concern, and the Managing Agents are paid a suitable remuneration for management. There can, therefore, be no question if 'Opposition' from the proprietors who seek to safeguard their own interests and I am surprised that Mr. Bhabha who is supposed to be a representative of the shareholders, should have used such an expression.

We are much perturbed and greatly concerned to find that while other mills especially at Sholapur, had made much larger profits than for the previous year, two of them the Laxmi and the Vishnu Mills having made practically double, the Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Company Limited, had made Rs. 25 lacs *less*. This fact by itself is sufficient to prove that there is something substantially wrong in the Management of the Mills. Yet to prove to the contrary I request Mr. Bhabha to be bold enough to take up the challenge thrown by himself from the chair and accepted by Mr. Gordhandas Bhagwandas and prove that the working results of our company were better than any other mills of Sholapur. As Mr. Bhabha has taken the trouble to issue a statement to the Press for matters which had direct concern with Agents only, I request him to answer the following questions left out unanswered by him at the meeting:

(1) Why did the sub-committee not investigate matters pertaining to the sales of cloth and yarn, and purchase of cotton? Why did they single out matters of stores for enquiry only?

(2) Is there any sub-committee existing now? and if so, does it wish to enquire into matters mentioned in the above question.

Whilst closing let me add that neither I nor any of the speakers at the last general meeting had any personal animosity or dislike for either the Chairman or the Directors.

LALDAS JAMNADAS.

Home Industries Exhibition

I trust that you will spare some space of your esteemed paper for the cause which deserves encouragement from all quarters.

Home Industries of all kinds should be encouraged but many persons wishing to be helpful, do not know what articles are made that way and where they can be had. With a view to bring such home made articles and preparations to the notice of the consumers some social workers like Dr. Mahelasha Pavri and Mr. Pheroze S. Gazdar have founded the Exhibition Society whose function it is to arrange for exhibition of articles and preparations made by individuals or small concerns on the lines of home and village industries.

An Exhibition of this kind is going on at present at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall and everyone wishing to encourage Home Industries should pay a visit there. It will close on the 2nd or 3rd January, 1945.

One would be surprised to find what kinds of articles and preparations are or can be manufactured by people sitting at home and doing work in their spare hours to earn a living. All the credit and felicitations are due to those who spend their valuable time and energy for this good and laudable work.

It is now up to the public to encourage the small industries by visiting these exhibitions. There is no obligation for anyone to buy anything and no persuasion either, so I would appeal to all to pay a visit before it closes.

CONSUMER.

"Vote Of Censure Against Chundrigar"

Mr. I. I. Chundrigar, President the Bombay Provincial Muslim League, has issued a lengthy statement on the annual general meeting fiasco of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League, which is most misleading. He has taken shelter behind legal and procedural technicalities and justified his action in dissolving the meeting and upholding the point of order. In fact in the whole controversy there has been a great deal of kite-flying and nobody seems to have hit the nail right in the head.

I first take the legal aspect of the point of order and its ruling. In fact Mr. Kitoor's letter which was sent five days before the meeting can never be called in the nature of a point of order because a point of order can only be raised in the meeting itself and not before or after. Mr. Kitoor's letter was in the form of a challenge to the validity of the meeting and since it was the Working Committee whose Executive head Mr. Chundrigar happens to be which had decided to hold the meeting it was upto the Working Committee to maintain, amend or change its decision of holding the meeting. Instead Mr. Chundrigar gave the verdict that the meeting should be held and that he could give his ruling in the meeting itself as if the die was once cast and the president was helpless in the matter and could not alter or change the date of the meeting.

(2) Mr. Chundrigar besides Mr. Kitoor's letter has referred to the point of order of A. Q. Khan of Poona who also had not received seven days' clear notice. The notices were sent on the 25th November and at least the members of the Poona League received the letter on the 26th November and as such A. Q. Khan had received seven days' clear notice. To substantiate it I give the legal opinion of Mazagaonwala & Co., Solicitors & Notary public.

Here is a copy of the letter received by me:

Dear Sir,

Referring to your inquiry about due notice the matter would be guided by the rule or regulation if any in behalf for holding meetings and giving notices. If there is none such in our opinion when it is not specifically expressed to be—clear days the days shall be reckoned inclusively of the last day and exclusively of the first day. That is the legal aspect of the matter, etc., etc.

This is the legal opinion of a very high and responsible attorneys at law on the point of order of Mr. A. Q. Khan and its subsequent ruling thereon.

(3) As stated above Mr. Kitoor's letter could never be termed as a point of order. Either Mr. Kitoor himself personally or somebody from the same district on behalf of Mr. Kitoor could have raised a point of order. Why should Mr. Chundrigar have arrogated to himself the task of treating the letter as a point of order and passing the ruling thereon? In his recent statement issued Mr. Rokil, Joint Secretary, has admitted that the letter of Mr. Kitoor was never in the nature of a point of order and hence Mr. Chundrigar's telegraphic intimation to Mr. Kitoor was never in the nature of ruling. Either Mr. Kitoor himself or anybody on his behalf could have raised the point of order in the meeting. Neither Mr. Kitoor nor anybody else on his behalf raised the point of order in the meeting. I have had it from most competent authorities and I challenge Mr. Chundrigar to prove it otherwise that no member in a meeting can raise a point of order on legality of the meeting itself and no president has a right to pass a ruling thereon. All that a member can do is to move an adjournment motion for want of proper notice in which case the verdict of the house is to be taken by voting. If the house wants the meeting to be adjourned it would be adjourned otherwise not. All that a president can do is to give a ruling on the adjournment motion itself. Now I would ask Mr. Chundrigar whether he gave that ruling on the point of order of A. Q. Khan or the letter of Mr. Kitoor treating it as a point of order.

It is really unfortunate that Mr. Chundrigar should lay the whole blame on the shoulders of the Joint Secretary for having dispatched the notice so late. No executive head can shake off his responsibility or exonerate himself by throwing all the blame on his subordinates. If he had at some later stage known the mistakes of his subordinates it was his clear duty as the president to convene a meeting of the Working Committee and alter the date. His helplessness in not changing the date and reserving his right to give the ruling only in the meeting which is usually absolute, irrevocable and unconditional, and the validity of which can never be challenged is unexplainable. There is no canon or tradition which binds the president or the Working Committee of a political body or organisation not to change the date of the meeting. His statements says: 'On receipt of Mr. Kitoor's letter I immediately called a meeting of the Working Committee to find if it could suggest a way out. Under the peculiar circumstances it could not'. Why has the meeting to be held? Why was he helpless? Why could the Working Committee not find a way out? What law, what rules or regulations could force the president or the Working Committee not to find a way out? He allowed the meeting of all the members who had come all the way from distant places to be held duly to be told of ruling from the president that the meeting was void and had to be dissolved. He put the whole blame on Mr. Zahidali that it was he who pressed for the ruling, otherwise A. Q. Khan would have withdrawn his point of order. The whole plan was too transparent to deceive anybody. All that Mr. Zahidali wanted was that the president should give a ruling in favour of continuing the meeting. On Mr. Chundrigar's own admission Mr. Qadir Khan had actually withdrawn the notice but Mr. Zahid pressed for his ruling. When once a point of order has been withdrawn, can a president still give his ruling on it? There must be really some snag in this whole business of point of order and president's ruling.

The most unfortunate part of the whole episode was the feelers which Mr. Chundrigar and his official group had thrown in certain high and responsible quarters that their move had the blessing of the Qaide Azam. In the body politic of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League no tragedy is so tragic as the tragedy of Ismail Ibrahim Chundrigar.

S. M. GHAZI.

"Subjection Strangles All Progress"

BOMBAY, Friday.

The "Development of the human mind" was the subject of a lecture this evening at Kaiserbaug. The speaker, Allama Rashid Turabisheb, traced the glimmerings of human intelligence from remote times and said that a small number of thinkers were at the bottom of all progress. These were the men of creative thought, and from the fountain head of their fruitful minds flew ideas which were absorbed by the common man who acted upon them.

According to him all progress was slow and to be continuous, it has to be steady. The greatest factor in creative evolution, was the need of man. As his needs grew, from the simple to the complex, so did the ingenuity and inventiveness of his mind.

Even the thoughts of great men could not be used by the common people if they were not ready to receive them to coerce them into making revolutionary changes, could only lead to harm. So it was the duty of the privileged and the knowledgeable to spread literacy and knowledge, so that the path for steady progress could be paved.

The speaker compared the backward Asiatic countries to Europe and said, that the subjection of the former had strangled all progress and creative thought.

ATTITUDES AND LATITUDES

By BIRBAL

India loves all-parties Conferences as little as England loves coalitions. Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, whose Committee is now in session, should know it as much as any one else. Mr Jinnah, who would rather allow the crease of his pantaloons to be changed than be reconciled to anybody, has already rebuffed him. How would the Conciliation Committee then try to conciliate the Congress? A 23 year old Congressman was recently hanged in the Lucknow district jail and many more will be hanged. Mercy petitions of fifteen accused in the Chimur and Ashti Cases are now before the Governor-General and in the present temper of justice under the D.I.R. only a miracle can save those condemned men. The British Raj is relentless against "rebels". Enlightened opinion in England could not save a titled "rebel" like Sir Roger Casement in the last war and the law advisers of Lord Wavell are not known for their audacity. But every Englishman "at home" and here should know that there is a political aspect to what may seem a purely legal affair.

The Congress, in any negotiations, cannot forget all that has happened since August 1942. Even Gandhi will have to bear the burden of many Bhagat Singhs this time. Peace will not be signed through pacts alone. The Sapru Committee will have to remember the issue is a matter of life and death, not of formulas and ratios and that dead men's ghosts will haunt history.

Gandhian-Socialist Entente?

"The newly reconstructed Congress must," according to Mr. S. K. Patil, "evoke a common programme for the Gandhites and Congress Socialists working together as a united front against the Communist disrupters". This is big news, for there are few Congress functionaries who have so stoutly resisted the advance of the Socialists as Mr. Patil. All Congressmen will wish Mr. Patil well in his campaign for a rapprochement between the two groups while the exclusion of Communists from the Congress organisations—the latest to fall in line being the Punjab, where the Communists are not as insignificant as in other provinces—shows that Congressmen are not unaware of the need to counter disruption.

It is to be hoped, however, that the policy of Gandhian-"Socialist" rapprochement will be put into action and not allowed to degenerate into one of those slogans the preoccupation with which Mr. Patil deprecated in the South the other day. Certainly the personnel of the Committees recently set up to carry on Congress work in City shows little evidence of Gandhian-Socialist co-operation in practice. If slogans also it may be said: "By their prints ye shall know them."

Stalin "Not At Home"

The meeting of the Big Three would appear to be in cold storage. A fortnight has passed since Mr. Churchill made public his dissatisfaction at the failure to meet. The echoes of his appeal have died out, without evoking any response. Why?

By voicing his protest in the course of his speech in the Commons on Poland, the British Premier gave a clue to the nature of the obstacle. According to the United Press of America, "Marshal Stalin is not ready for such a meeting until the Polish problem is solved in accordance with Russian wishes and interests." Stalin would evidently prefer to face his allies with a 'fait accompli.'

Another Munich

Mr. Churchill has certainly done his best to appease his powerful ally. His last speech on Poland did another Munich, throwing the Poles over completely and giving the Red Army so long poised to strike at Warsaw, the line clear to march in and declare the Lublin Committee the Government of Poland.

Unfortunately for appeasement, there is still the third end of the triangle to square. President Roosevelt has indicated his preference for "United States Backs Poland" to "U.S. Supports Partition of Poland" as a correct summary of Mr. Stettinus' Delphic pronouncement. Very well then, face must be saved by the production of a mutual agreement."

Another Badoglio

The heat would in consequence appear once again to be turned on the miserable M. Mikelajizyk to go to Poland and become the puppet Premier of a Moscow-controlled Government. Whether the ex-Premier will do a Badoglio remains to be seen.

Meanwhile, the Polish people continue to suffer cruelly from devastation, deportation and hunger. U.N.R.R.A. is helpless, and unable to lift a finger to help. Explaining why, Sir Arthur Salter, its Senior Deputy Director General, has made the shocking revelation that the Russian Government refused U.N.R.R.A. permission to enter until the Polish question is settled. Russia's conduct in Poland hardly shines by comparison with Britain's in Greece, but where are the voices of "Leftist", progressives and friends of democracy? Perhaps, they are too hoarse after shouting about the use of "Black troops" against their Greek "Comrades."

Are Gurkhas Black?

The Gurkhas, if one MUST think in terms of colour, are "yellow" not "black." That is the one elementary truth Mr. Aneurin Bevan, M.P. needs to be taught. Another is that Socialists are supposed to believe in the equality of races and the brotherhood of Man.

The significant thing—about the scene in the House of Commons over Gurkhas and Greeks was the so-called Leftist who voiced the disgraceful ELAS protest against "Black troops" being used against them. No such protest was, of course, made when these same troops were alongside of them against the Germans. All of which goes show that where the racial issue is involved, "Leftists" in the West can be as bad as "Rightists," and sometimes even worse.

Apropos of the Englishman's racial complexes the story goes that during the last war when Britain and Portugal were allies the G.H.Q. found it necessary to put up the following notice to troops: "His Majesty's Forces are hereby ordered to desist from the practice of referring to our gallant Allies the Portuguese as 'them bloody dagoes'." It was reserved for this war to produce a situation where "dagoes" object to "niggers."

And while we are on the subject of the colour bar, here is a priceless example of the way in which American democracy is rallying in the country's cause. On a bus in South Carolina was to be seen the placard: "If the peoples of this country's races do not pull together. Victory is lost. Be Patriotic. Avoid Friction. White passengers will be seated from front to rear, coloured passengers from rear to front."

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WARNING TO JOURNALISTS

BY VICTOR PARANJOTI

We have to be honest about it. Hollywood is not to blame. Hollywood is innocent!

It was a journalist, a brother of our own craft that, with the best motives in the world, began the new English. Allotted a limited number of column inches and given an assignment to review a certain number of films, he was driven to desperation and the use of telescoped words. It was sheer necessity that was the mother of the new English.

Writing in a well-known American journal he has been forced by circumstances—not by *editerror*—to coin such words as these: *Cinemactor, Cinemautnor, Cinemaudience et al.*

The public liked it; and the new English has come to stay. *Cinenymph, Cinemaniac* and *Cinemusical* are already applying for *lexicognisance*, while *Cinecutie* and *Cinevillainous* are almost ready for launching.

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There may be brother journalists who may be inclined to pooh pooh the whole thing. But I can see the writing in the column—the new English is here! It behoves us, therefore, to be prepared—prepared to telescope words not only for the sake of brevity and for *cinemaniacs*, but for general use. Already one or two of our brothers on the various war-fronts are said to have begun using a curious type of *telegrammistical* English in an endeavour to pull fast ones past alleged *securitimorous* censors. And the new English will spread.

It must be admitted that there is a verve, a freshness about the new words and no one will deny their especial appeal to those who confuse the polysyllabic with the erudite.

I am warning all journalists.

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To-morrow's journalists cannot afford to be accused of *columnambulism*. We *must* build up a new vocabulary. I have already begun, and I give the fruits of my labours free, gratis and without let or hindrance to brothers of the craft. They may use the words without fear of being accused of *plagiaryquery*.

It is true that with the automobile boom that will come with peace we shall not have to accuse callous *engineers* of whistling while our 1928 Sturgeon-Eagles are suffering from *automobiliousness*. Cars generally will have ceased to suffer from *engineuroses*. But we shall have to discuse the merits of *aeronotabilities* and shall probably be attacking *sailorthodoxy*.

Medical science will have advanced to the point where to talk of the 'common' cold will render a man guilty of having uttered something *medicalumnious*. There may be schools for *surgiculture* where the *surgicallous* will be eliminated—perhaps (who knows) by *euthanasiatics*.

Our brothers writing for the *politicallow* may be discussing *statementality*, *proletariatrophy* or *capitallergy*. Sports writers will write about storms in *crickettles* and will get an extra paragraph in about that famous tail or *crickcaudal* wagging which upsets the experts. They will annoy dribblers by calling them *footballerinas*.

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War correspondents, their *blitzkriegourous* work over, will dip their pens into more pacific ink and discuss *masalchicanery*, and will call for better treatment for *hamalcontents*. They will bewail the *cultinarid* menus in filthrate boarding houses managed by *spinstermagants*.

Without fear of *editerrible* consequences, fashion writers will be able to sell *delegtable* paragraphs on *femininallure*, and will tell women how the secret of "how Paris fell to *Helenticement*" can be purchased at a rupee per bottle. The more cynical may label certain tailored garments as the fruit of *sartorpid* imaginations. Matter in fashion magazines, worse luck, will however remain *femininalterable*.

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Free lancers may be compelled to tell convocation lecturers that they made *professory* spectacles of themselves. Or they may, in a burst of anger, dismiss some local charity entertainment as little short *of musicalamitous*.

Crime reporters will wallow in gore and will write *of hammurder*; and may howl at *legalling* formalities that insist on some cases being heard *in camera*. And thus it will be in all aspects of our work.

The pace of journalism will surely increase, and the race will be to those who have trained vigorously on a diet of telescopic words.

Newspapersonalities will demand the use of the new English from interviewers. The reading public will demand the new English. Everyone will demand telescopic writing.

If the public are not to suffer from *journallergy*, that demand must be met.

You have been warned.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

JOHANNESBURG (By Mail).

In a barber shop in Pretoria, an old hairdresser has several times asked Field Marshal Smuts, when he next visits London to ask Mr. Winston Churchill for five shillings which he claims Mr. Churchill owes him.

The debt to which he refers dates back to the time when Mr. Churchill was a prisoner in Pretoria during the Boer war and owed the barber's brother money for haircuts.

—Reuter.

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An American paper excited by the recent revelation by Mr. Roosevelt insists that "the Atlantic Charter is ....written in the hearts of the peoples of the world."

As a sort of unrequited love?

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Apropos of the Government of India's ban on Marx's "Civil War in France" and Lenin's "Paris Commune", the London "Daily Worker" asks: "Do they think that Marx and Lenin write about the France of to day?"

Why accuse the poor chaps of the crime of thinking at all?

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Asked if he intended to approach members of the Congress Working Committee, Dr. Sapru is reported to have said: "I am not going to ask any body who is not free to express his own opinion."

To be more correct, he can't. In fact, no Indian can get at them.

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Doctor Syed Mahmud believes that "Mr. Jinnah would not have lost anything thereby (by co-operating with the Sapru Committee) as it is only an exploratory body."

Mr. Jinnah knows himself better than anybody.

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Mr. Yusuf Haroon has come to Bombay to discuss Sind League affairs with Mr. Jinnah.

But since Mr. Haroon has thought fit to be preceded by his own open letter to the Qaid-e-Azam the latter is saved the bother of discussing those affairs beyond a much-needed lecture to Mr. Haroon for his indisciplined indiscretion.

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Stimulated by the comparatively fresh air abroad, Pir Ilahi Bux, Muslim League Minister in Sind and just returned from Haj, reports that "the Arabs although among them were large sections of Christians felt proud in calling themselves Arabs first and Muslims and Christians afterwards."

We should have thought Pir Ilahi Bux would have deplored the lack of "Muslim Nationhood" consciousness and done something about it while he was in the Middle East.

But we are surprised and shocked to find this Muslim League Minister actually urging that "likewise Hindus and Muslims in India should be Indians first than anything else."

Pir Ilahi Bux must get rid of the intoxicating influences he has absorbed, must sober down and immediately convey his personal apology to the leader of the Muslim Nation and public repudiation of his statement to the Indian Press.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Audacity is the stepfather of success.

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Half our troubles are the offsprings of fear.

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Long hair on a man is very likely to cover a multitude of cranky ideas.

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A man never realizes the worthlessness of his earthly possessions until he tries to pawn them.

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It is easier for the average man to talk than it is for him to find someone to listen.

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Hope is an excellent thing to have, but it is one of the things a pawnbroker will not advance anything on.

Indians And Burma

"As Representative of the Government of India with the Government of Burma my greatest desire is to go to Rangoon as soon as possible. I trust the Japanese will soon be driven out of Burma". So said Mr. Jamnadas Mehta at a tea party given in his honour by the All-India Burma Evacuees' Association at the Taj Mahal Hotel on Friday. Mr. Roshen Bhimjee, welcoming Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, said Indians wanted Burma to be an independent and free country and wanted their relations with the Burmans to be adjusted in a spirit of goodwill and harmony. Some Indians in Burma had made mistakes in the past and he wanted them to make it quite clear that they did not want to be junior partners with the British in exploiting Burma.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta said that he as Government of India's representative in Burma would always try to win the goodwill of the people and the Government of Burma. Though as a Labourite he believed in free entry of Labour as well as goods all the world over, he was also a realist and he would endeavour to protect the interests of Indians. He was glad even Mr. Amery sometimes could say something that Indians wanted him to say. He had openly expressed in the Commons debate his disapproval of the statement made in the Blueprint for Burma issued by some Conservative M.P.'s that the evacuation of five lakhs of Indians as a result of Japanese invasion was a good riddance. Mr. Mehta said that though he was a Labourite he would try to safeguard the interests of all sections of Indians alike.

Sir Paw Tun, ex-Premier of Burma, said the Government of India could not have sent a better representative to Burma than Mr. Jamnadas Mehta. He expressed the gratitude of Burman evacuees for the hospitality given to them in India and for all Burma owed to India. There was no antagonism between Indians and Burmans. In the reconstructed Burma there was need for reorientation of the attitude of Indians and he assured them that the Burmans would fully reciprocate the goodwill of Indians.

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 10-30 A.M. Property of a European gentleman and others, at Chowpatty sea-face, near Vianellis' Restaurant, complete household and office furniture, dining table, chairs, sideboard, cabinet, silver show case, chesterfield sets, Zoonda almirah by Robert, dressing table, sofa cabinet, almirahs, bed with box mattress, Remington typewriter, sewing machine, safes, bronze Elec. figure lamp, writing tables, book case, glass crockery, etc. T. 40213. EASTERN AUCTION CO.

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The printing machines, implements, Types, Gallies, Type cases, blocks furniture and all articles and things appertaining to the said Appeal Printing Press together with its Good Will.

The Press is situated at 129, Medows Street, Fort and will be on view from the 2nd January from 11-30 A. M. to 5 P. M. before the day of sale.

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FILMISTAN'S EXEMPLARY COURTESY TO PUBLIC

"Adab Arz" At Taj: "Vish Kanya" To-day At Opera House

By T. V. P.

From the full height of its splendid success, Filmistan Ltd., has made a highly creditable gesture to the public. With "Chal Chal re Navjavan" doing capacity business at Roxy—in other words, when the picture is a demonstrated success—and despite the fact that, having sold the film for a phenomenal price, Filmistan has virtually no financial interest in its future run, the firm has gone to the trouble and expense of revising the picture with a substantial change in its last thousand feet.

This has been done in response to a slight sentimental murmur from a section of filmgoers, that it hurts to part with such hearty, likely people as animate the story of the "Navjavan" under the pall of a tragic story-end.

MOTIBAI LIVES AGAIN

One nett result of the revision of "Naujavan" is that Savitri, played by Motibai, who died of a broken heart and broken limbs at the end of the original story, now survived in the revised version to accompany the entire happy company back to the National Service Institution.

Motibai.

ADAB ARZ AT TAJ

"Adab Arz" released yesterday at Taj is a picture in which a spirited modern Indian girl is shown to be setting old conventions at naught. This girl's role is played by Nalini Jaiwant. Her brother goes astray and ruins the life of a young girl. She takes up the cudgels on her behalf and puts her brother right despite the opposition of her father. Karan Dewan, Anand Prasad and Nagendra are in these supporting roles. The picture is directed by Chowdhry.

'VISH KANYA' AT OPERA HOUSE

Ranjit's "Vish Kanya" coming to Opera House has for its background two kings at War. Physical forces were being used to utmost to beat down the enemy. Just as if this was not enough the kings of bygone days used to have recourse to other means. In "Vish Kanya" we have a different type of weapon devised to beat down the enemy. Handsome girls, while they were babies, were reared upon poison. The slow doses of poison got mixed up with their blood. The girls grew into beautiful maids. The poison had permeated their bodies. To kiss such a girl was to invite certain death. Such a ruse was employed to beat the enemy.

Sadhona Bose plays the role of "Vish Kanya" in this picture. Her dancing talents as well as her histrionic abilities get full scope in this role. Surendra as the poet and Prithviraj as the king also give sterling performances. Director Kedar Sharma has given many delightful directorial touches that enhance the emotional appeal of this story.

SITARA IN "CHAND"

Remarkable for its direction and its production values generally. Prabhat's musical comedy "Chand" is equally distinguished for the performances in it. With three newcomers—Begum Para, Sapru and Balakram—in the star cast, with two veterans like Prem Adib and Sitara, a moderate level of performances would have been excusable. Actually, each turns over a star performance. One would have thought that a screen-soaked artiste like Sitara would, at best, give a splendid performance in her well known style. D. D. Kashayp, both as scenarist and director, has, however, sprung a surprise by presenting an altogether unusual Sitara—a lovable, sympathetic, heroic and intensely artistic woman. In any future argument as to whether Directors make stars, "Chand" will carry a large weight of evidence.

Sitara in 'Chand' at Krishna.

"DASSI" VERY POPULAR

Among the older pictures now in town, the Pradhan film "Dassi" at the Minerva continues to be steadily popular.

HIGH LIGHTS OF "JWAR BHATA"

Running in the fifth week at Majestic, "Jwar Bhata", Bombay Talkies' latest success, provides a feast of songs, music, dances and drama for the X'mas and New Year. Amiya Chakrabarty who is responsible for the story, production and direction of the picture has once again succeeded with new artistes like Mridula and Dilip Kumar whose popularity increases with every week.

Shamim in 'Jwar Bhata' at Majestic.

"DRAUPADI"—LADIES PICTURE

Mrs. Yamuna Hirlekar and Mrs. Shantabai Kashalkar, both respected in Bombay's literary and educational circles have expressed the view that some very unfair criticism is being directed against 'Draupadi'. What has happened is that the picture is not criticised but its producer. In their opinion, whoever, sees the picture must come out with a good opinion about it, because of the superb performance of Sushila Rani in the title role and her fascinating songs.

OTHER POPULAR FAVOURITES

Jayant Desai's "Lalkar" at West End starring Ramola, "Lal Haveli" starring Nur Jehan and Surendra at Capitol, 'Mabap' at Kamal, "Ramshastri" at Central, "Ramrajya" at Super, 'Shankuntala' at Swastik, "Parbat Pe Apna Dera" at Novelty have remained good favourites whether they have been running long or released recently.

"My Sister" starring Saigal and introducing two or three new faces will be the next change at Central. It is a new New Theatre's picture.

GANDHIJI WILL BE CURED IN 8 DAYS

Kasturba Fund Meeting To Be Held On Feb. 17

SEVAGRAM, Dec. 29

Latest enquiries made by the 'United Press' about Mahatma Gandhi's health show that he is gradually making progress. Dr. Sushila Nayar told the 'United Press' that the cough, from which the Mahatma was suffering, would be cured in about eight days.

KASTURBA MEMORIAL MEETING.

The 'United Press' learns that the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Kasturba National Memorial Fund which was postponed due to Gandhiji's indisposition will now be held on February 17 and 18 next at Sevagram.

A special meeting of the Hindusthan Talimi Sangh will be held on January 10 at Sevagram to consider changes in the constitution of the Talimi Sangh and the reports of the various sub-committees appointed by the Sangh for preparing schemes for pre-basic, post-basic and adult education. Dr. Zakir Hussain will preside.

The authorities of the Khadi Vidyalaya at Sevagram inform the 'United Press' that the new syllabus of the Vidyalaya which is being prepared now has not yet been completed. It cannot be said definitely when the new term is likely to begin. Therefore it is desirable that none should apply for admission before the announcement of the new syllabus.—United Press.

"STAB IN THE BACK OF SECONDARY TEACHERS"

Headmasters' Conference Resents Preference To College Professors: Plea For "Direct Action" If Constitutional Methods Fail

BOMBAY, Friday.

Thirty-three resolutions affecting the interests of the teaching profession in the secondary grade were passed today by the Bombay Provincial Headmasters' Conference, during a six-hour session at the Convocation Hall, under the presidentship of Dr. G. S. Khair.

Malpractices at the last Matriculation of the Bombay University figured in one of the important resolutions passed by the Conference. Moved from the chair and accepted without a debate, the resolution "strongly condemned the malpractices" and "deplored the part played by all who were found guilty of such practices." The Conference in this connection requested the authorities to "take all possible steps to prevent malpractices in future and to maintain purity of examinations."

WHY THIS DISCRIMINATION?

The most vehement speeches of the session were made on a resolution moved by Mr. M. V. Donde resenting the discrimination alleged to have been shown by the University Syndicate between school teachers and College professors. The resolution was as follows:

"This Conference strongly resents the decision of the Syndicate to discriminate in the name of the purity of examinations, between school teachers and college professors in the matter of appointments of paper-setters and moderators at the Matriculation Exam. and impresses upon the Vice-Chancellor and the Senate that the whole body of Secondary School Teachers protests against the unwarranted and uncharitable insinuations implied in the decision of the Syndicate in question. This Conference further brings to the notice of the Vice-Chancellor and the Senate that the present attitude of the Syndicate towards the school teachers is reprehensible in view of the fact that the recent inquiries into the malpractices at the University Examinations made no difference between a school teacher and a college professor found guilty of resorting to malpractices."

"STAB IN THE BACK."

Speaking on his resolution, Mr. Donde said that in connection with the enquiry into malpractices at the last Matriculation examination, the University set up a sub-committee to recommend steps by which purity of examinations could be ensured. One of the recommendations of this sub-Committee was that paper-setters and moderators should be drawn, as far as possible, from the ranks of professors and that these should be paid adequately. This recommendation, said Mr. Donde, was a real "stab in the back" of the secondary teachers. "Insult upon insult" is being heaped on the school teachers", added Mr. Donde "and it is time we raised our voice of protest in an effective way."

Mr. R. N. Vakil wanted the "University to be brought to its senses". He claimed that secondary teachers were more fitted to be examiners.

PLEA FOR DIRECT ACTION.

Mr. C. C. Shah who supported the resolution said that the more important question was about the sanction behind the resolution. He urged that in the first instance, the Teachers' Federation should adopt constitutional methods to get the grievances removed. If they failed, the Federation should resort to "direct action". This should include the resignation of the representatives on

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school teachers from the University bodies so that they would have nothing to do with the appointment of examiners.

An amendment sponsored by Mr. C. A. Christie urged that the Federation should send a deputation to the Vice-Chancellor in the first week of January to represent the grievances contained in the resolution. The amendment further urged headmasters all over the province to send their protest to the University Syndicate and the Senate.

FLOCK THE CORRIDORS.

The mover of the resolution, in his concluding speech suggested the need for a demonstration by school teachers on the day of the meeting of the University Senate in February next. "Let us close our schools" he declared "and flock the corridors of the University building to show our resentment."

The resolution and the amendment had the universal support of the conference.

"SALARY SCALES."

The following were among the resolutions to be passed:—

"This Conference feels strongly that many of the provisions of the Grant-in-Aid Code call for immediate revision and therefore urges upon Government to undertake such revision without any further delay.

With a view to improving the status of the teaching profession, this Conference supports whole-heartedly the Salary Scales laid down as minimum scales in the report of the Central Advisory Board of Education commonly known as the Sargent Scheme and requests Government to help aided institutions to give immediate effect to these salary scales.

The Conference requests the Federation to appoint a Committee to make a critical report on Sargent Scheme particularly with reference to Secondary Education.

This Conference requests Government to consider the teachers, who have passed the B.T., T.D., S.T.C., Primary Second Year Certificate Examination and other equivalent examinations, and who have also passed the Kovid or other equivalent examinations, as duly qualified to teach Hindustani in Secondary Schools.

The proceedings of the Conference terminated at 8 p.m. after six hours of deliberation.

"HITLER LEADS VERY SIMPLE LIFE THESE DAYS"

He Is German Miracle, Says Goebbels

BERLIN, Dec. 28.

The German News Agency tonight said that Dr. Goebbels in this week's issue of "Das Reich" wrote: "Hitler leads a very simple life these days. He takes the war more seriously than any other statesman. Even among his close circle of collaborators he is lonely a genius towering in icy solitude above his fellows.

Not for him are the comforts of Bourgeois life. If every table were as frugal as his he would definitely have no food supply worries. Everyone who sees him for the first time is struck by his immense knowledge in all fields of human thought.

Hitler is a master of thoroughness. It is a thousand pities that his enemies do not know the depth of his contempt for them. Hitler is the German miracle. Everything else in our country can be explained. He has a sixth sense—the gift to see what is hidden from the human eye. He knows about the things to come. He is truth personified.

If only the world knew how much his love extends beyond his own people towards the universe they would forswear their false God and worship him—the greatest personality history has known."—Reuter.

WILSON PROMOTED FIELD MARSHAL

LONDON, Dec. 29: General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson has been promoted Field Marshal, it is announced to-day Sir Maitland Wilson was recently appointed senior British Military Representative on the Combined Chiefs of Staffs Committee in Washington in succession to the late Field Marshal Sir John Dill and was formerly Supreme Allied Commander in the Mediterranean theatre.—Reuter.

Co-operation And Planning

Presiding over the 23rd session of the Bihar Co-operative Federation Conference held in Patna, Mr. Vaikunth L. Mehta said:—

"Co-operation may have been introduced in India by Government, and to-day in some provinces it may be that it is subject to a degree of control which is undesirable. That however, does not make co-operative societies so many creations of Government. They are independent entities, in a wider sense than local bodies set up under statutory authority. If co-operative societies are subjected to interference in their internal affairs, let us resist such interference and in order that our institutions may show resistance, let them be manned by independent minded persons".

"When the legislatures begin to function even the laws that fetter free working may be amended. In the meanwhile public opinion is to be organised to see to it that the existing law is administered in the proper spirit even by an executive functioning under section 93 of the Government of India Act. At that time it should not be forgotten that in the economic order of the future, co-operation may be accorded a more important role than under the present dispensation. That economic order connotes planning and the points of contact between the co-operative movement and the State will be more numerous and closer than at present. Hence while we may resist encroachments on the freedom of action of co-operative societies and prevent any interference in their internal affairs, we may have to prepare ourselves for well defined regulation on the part of the State particularly on matters where the interests of the community in general are affected.

But then, the question may well be asked: Why participate in planning which involves contacts with the States? To my limited knowledge, planning on a large scale on a nation-wide basis is inconceivable without the intervention of the State. We may urge that the State should be democratic national State and not an irresponsible bureaucracy. We may all strive to bring about the early advent of such a Government. But, thereafter, to my mind the way seems clear. Even for a National Government, to plan for agriculture, for industries allied to it, for retail trade, for credit, through its own official machinery, will be the setting up in India for a totalitarian regime likely to be all the more dangerous in its influence because of the economic, educational and organisational backwardness of the large masses of our population in villages as well as in towns and cities. If we want planning to be democratic, it must be essentially on the basis of small-scale peasant farming and the decentralised production of consumer goods. But neither small-scale farming nor cottage industries can thrive except through organisation and combined action and it is co-operation alone that makes such joint effort on the part of individuals effective and lasting".

SILCHAR, Dec. 28: Silchar was rocked by a severe earthquake shock at 9-24 p.m. on December 24. The tremor lasted about three minutes. Some damage has been caused to household property. No news of death or of serious injuries to any person has yet been received.

It is reported that in some places in the mofussil water was found rushing through fissures caused in the fields.—A. P.

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Ditto	9" Actual	8 3 0	0 14 0
Ditto	10" Actual	9 3 0	0 15 0
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Flat Dishes	10" Actual	16 13 0	1 12 0
Do	12" Actual	25 3 0	2 10 0
Do	14" Actual	41 6 0	4 5 0
Do	16" Actual	58 13 0	6 2 0
Bakers	8" Actual	13 13 0	1 7 0
Do	9" Actual	16 13 0	1 12 0
Sauce Boat		27 10 0	2 14 0
Covered Scollops R/k		41 6 0	4 5 0
Covered Sunk		32 10 0	3 8 0
Indian Butter pots		2 13 0	0 5 0
Single egg cups		5 10 0	0 9 0
Fruit Saucers	small	4 3 0	0 7 0
Fruit Saucers	Large	4 6 0	0 7 3
Jugs Tankard	1.3/4 pint	22 8 0	2 5 6
Jugs Tankard	1 pint	19 8 0	2 0 0
Jugs Tankard	3/4 pint	19 8 0	2 0 6
Jugs Tankard	1/2 pint	16 13 0	1 12 0
Cream Jugs Tankard	1/4 pint	16 13 0	1 12 0
Ditto	1/8 pint	13 13 0	1 7 0
Sugars Bowls Rugby		6 6 0	0 11 0
Covers Sugars		33 10 0	0 8 0
Coffee pots	2 pints	55 13 0	5 13 0
Ditto	1 1/2 pints	44 6 0	4 10 0
Ditto	1 pint	39 0 0	4 1 0
Tea pots Any shape	2 1/4 pints	55 12 0	5 13 0
Ditto	1 1/2 pints	44 6 0	4 10 0
Ditto	1 1/2 pints	39 0 0	4 1 0
Ditto	3/4 pint	33 9 0	3 8 0
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Breakfast No. 1	9 1/2 Ozs.	10 13 0	1 2 0
Tea No. 2 (Large)	8 1/3 Ozs.	9 5 0	0 15 6
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Coffee No. 6	4 Ozs.	7 0 0	0 12 0

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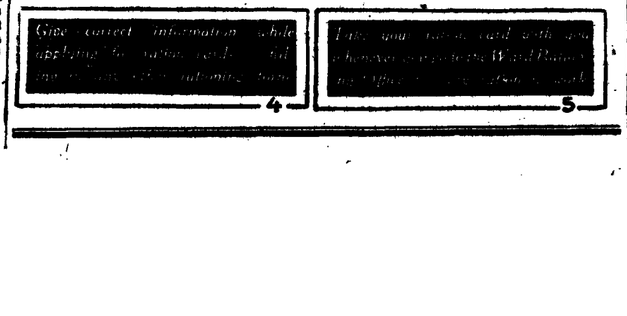

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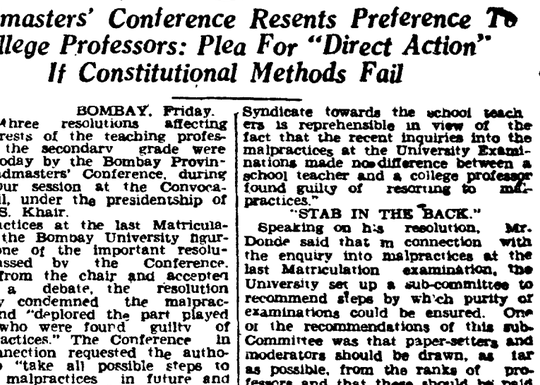

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MONDAY, 1ST JANUARY, 1945

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Gentlemen .... Rs. 50-0-0
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Daily: 3-30 6-30 & 9-45
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RAJKAMAL'S and V. SHANTARAM'S
BHAKTICHA MALA
(MALI IN MARATHI)
Daily 4, 7, 10 Sat. Sun. Monday 1 p.m.
Join the crowds at
PLAZA TALKIES DADAR

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Daily at 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m.
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"THE GREAT DICTATOR"
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B. B. MATUNGA
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OF BIGGER & BRIGHTER CROWDS!
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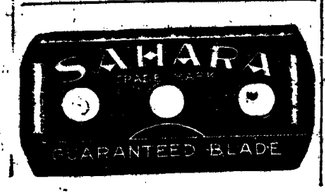


INCREASE IN LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS

Further Fall In Interest Yield

The total number of insurers registered under the Insurance Act, 1938 (excluding those whose certificates of registration have been cancelled), up to September 30th, 1944, was 323, of which 228 insurers were constituted in India. Most of the Indian insurers carry on life insurance business only. They are 156 in number, and of the remaining 72 insurers, 35 carry on life insurance along with other insurance business and 37 carry on insurance business other than life.

Of the 228 Indian insurers, 88 have their head offices in the Bombay Presidency, 54 in Bengal, 36 in the Madras Presidency, 17 in the Punjab, 14 in Delhi, 8 in the United Provinces, 4 in the Central Provinces, 3 in Sind, 2 in Bihar, and 1 each in Assam and Ajmer-Merwara.

INCREASE IN LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS.

The total new life insurance business effected during 1943 amounted to 2,96,000 policies insuring a sum of Rs. 72,12,00,000 and yielding an annual premium income of Rs. 3,97,00,000, as compared with 1,78,000 policies insuring a sum of Rs. 42,83,00,000 and yielding an annual premium income of Rs 2,22,00,000 in 1942 according to the Indian Insurance Year Book for 1944. Of this, new business done by Indian insurers amounted to 2,83,000 policies insuring a sum of Rs. 62,94,00,000 and having a premium income of Rs. 3,48,00,000 as compared with 1,69,000 policies insuring a sum of Rs. 36,47,00,000 and having a premium income of Rs. 1,91,00,000 in the previous year.

The life insurance funds increased by Rs. 8,29,00,000 and amounted to Rs. 84,23,00,000 at the end of the year. The rate of interest earned on the life funds during the year after deductions of income-tax at source was 3.88 per cent., as compared with 3.94 per cent. in the previous year. The total expenses of management expressed as a percentage of the premium income during the year worked out to 27.9 per cent, as compared with 26.7 per cent, in the previous year.

NON-LIFE BUSINESS.

The net Indian premium income of all insurers under insurance business other than life insurance during 1943 was Rs. 7,63,00,000, as compared with Rs. 7,38,00,000 in 1942. Of this the Indian insurers' share was Rs. 2,89,00,000, as compared with Rs. 2,06,00,000 in the previous year. The Indian insurers received Rs. 1,66,00,000 (Rs. 1,09,00,000) from Fire Rs. 73,00,000 (Rs. 61,00,000) from Marine, and Rs. 50,00,000 (Rs. 36,00,000) from miscellaneous insurance business. The non-Indian insurers received Rs. 1,81,00,000 (Rs. 1,38,00,000) from fire, Rs. 2,07,00,000 (Rs. 3,26,00,000) from marine and Rs. 86,00,000 (Rs. 68,00,000) from miscellaneous insurance business.

On the subject of the rate of interest, the report points out that, on the basis of the ruling rate at present and what could be expected to prevail during the years to come, even a rate of 3 1/2 per cent. is, if anything, on the highside. Premium rates should, in its opinion, be recalculated at a rate of interest of 3 per cent. or even less.

The report observes that there has been a comparatively better lapse experience for 1943; but it warns against any feeling of complacency on that account.

Referring to the Bombay Docks disaster, it enumerates a few of the lessons taught by the unfortunate event. The first is, in its opinion, that persons and property of any value should be insured.

The report urges the adoption of a policy of extreme caution in the declaration of dividends on capital and advises insurers, particularly those recently established, "to show a stern face towards any pressure put on them to strain their resources by dividend declaration before they have obtained a position of considerable strength by building up strong reserves by a continuous transfer of profits".

W. V. S. Needs 10,000 Helpers

Ten thousand women are needed by the Women's Voluntary Services in India in order that the work for the troops may be maintained and extended.

It is hoped by a new appeal to women in India to enlist the active support of Indian women who by usefully employing their time will at the same time be doing a valuable war job. For those who do not feel disposed to take part in the canteen and hospitality work which forms a large part of W. V. S. activity there are other useful and important roles which they can fill.

There is, for instance, an urgent need for women to join Red Cross working parties who make and supply comforts to military hospitals. This work may be done in private houses, much of it concerning the making of such things as dressings, pyjamas and knitted goods.

W. V. S. centres all over India are ready to take names of women who are prepared to help, whether Indian or British, and to give information regarding the work which is to be done.

Headquarters are hoping that the result of the appeal will be an expanded and greatly improved service for the men and women who are devoting themselves to finishing the war in the shortest possible time.

High Speed I. A. F. Attacks

How one target can lead to another is well illustrated by this story from an Indian Air Force squadron operating in the Arakan.

After demolishing a bridge near Myohaung one of the pilots made a photographic run over the target. He rushed the film back to the squadron's photo section and it was developed and printed by evening.

While examining the remains of the bridge in the photos, an intelligence officer noticed that there were many large boats, partly camouflaged, in the area. A dawn attack on these was immediately decided upon and arrangements for it were made that night.

The planes took off in the grey light of early morning and went into the attack with the rising sun behind them. Many boats were hit, some of them large two-masted and explosions followed. The whole area was then raked with cannon fire.

Thus, within 24 hours, two swift successive attacks, were put in on Jap lines of communications in the same target area.

MURDERED OFFICER'S MOTHER APPEALS FOR CLEMENCY

Sends Petition To Viceroy For Saving Lives Of Ashti And Chimur Accused

NAGPUR, Dec. 29.

A petition for mercy on the 15 accused sentenced to death in the Chimur and Ashti cases has been sent to the Viceroy by Bai Cooverbai Darashaw Doongaji.

She is the mother of T. D. Doongaji Sub-Divisional officer who was killed in th- August 1942 disturbances at Chimur on the basis of which murder and other crimes, nine persons were sentenced to death.

The petitioner says she is adding her own voice to that of various bodies and persons for the purpose of obtaining mercy for the said persons as "no useful purpose would be served by taking other young lives for the life which is already lost and in the interests of humanity. Your Excellency the petition submits and prays that Your Excellency should be pleased to exercise your powers of reprieve and should commute the said sentences from sentences of death to transportation only.

The petitioner feels public justice would be ample vindicated by such a step." Finally she submits that His Excellency should bear in mind the excitement and turmoil which existed during the days when the Chimur and Ashti incidents occurred and also bear in mind the youth of these prisoners and the long terms of confinement already suffered while their minds have been tortured with the uncertainty of fate that awaits them.—A. P.

DIFFERENCES AMONG SIND LEAGUERS

KARACHI, Dec. 29.

Mr. Yusuf Haroon's statement has cast a gloom in the League circles The rift in the League has become a target of common comment.

Speculation is rife that Sir Ghulam-husein will resign to form a new ministry with the help of the Congress and without Messrs. Guzder and Ilahibux. The Premier is further reported to be trying his best to secure Mr Jinnah's support to his new move. His recent statement to this effect is expected to influence Mr. Jinnah in forming his judgment.

A deputation consisting of two members of the Yusuf group will be meeting Mr. Jinnah today in Bombay. Interesting developments are expected. Orient Press.

B. P. ADULT EDUCATION BOARD

The Provincial Board for Adult Education has been reconstituted by the Government of Bombay, as follows:—

Mr. S. R. Bhagwat, of Poona (Chairman), Rao Saheb Harikrishna A. Atuin, Inamdar of Mahudha, Kaira District, Mr. B. S. Hanchinal, member Belgaum District School Board; Professor R. Choksi, of the Wilson College, Bombay; Mrs. Umabai Kundapur, Hubli; Mr. V. V. Sathaye, Secretary of the Saksharata Prasarak Mandal, Poona; Mr. Bhaurao P. Patil, Sarara; Sardar Mansingji Bhasaheb, Thakor of Kerwada, Broach and Panch Mahals District; Khan Bahadur Muhammad Hidayetulla, retired Headmaster of Poona Anglo Urdu High School, Rao Bahadur P. G. Hulkatti, Bijapur; Miss Amy B. H. J. Bustomjee, Inspectress of Girls' Schools, Bombay Division; Mr. V. D. Ghate, Educational Inspector, Northern Division, Ahmedabad; The Labour Officer, Bombay City; and three representatives of District Rural Development Boards, one from each Division.

The representatives of the District Rural Development Boards will be selected by the Commissioners of Divisions from among the nominated or elected non-official members of the Boards. The Chairman and members will hold office until September 30, 1947.

Official Inquiry Into Nagpur Aircrash

NEW DELHI, Dec. 28: A Press communique says:—

"The Government of India regret to announce that three civilians were killed and three injured when a service aircraft crashed at Nagpur on December 27. A building was set on fire in which a few cattle perished. Civil and military authorities rendered prompt aid. "An official investigation into the accident is to be held".—A. P.

Proposed Academy Of Indian Motion Pictures

Mr. Syed Muzzaffar Kazmi, Convener of the Academy of Indian Motion Pictures, Kalloomal Street, Cawnpore, writes:—

The Academy will make a scientific study of all the notable films that are produced by the standard Indian film companies and it will keep an authentic record of the films selected by its advisory council, for its permanent file.

Its aims and objects are:

i. To popularise the standard social pictures, which help in building the character of an average Indian, including the Muslim social pictures and Hindu mythological pictures; ii. To encourage historical pictures, which bring out the old glory of our Motherland, and its rulers; iii. To popularise pictures, which help in raising the standard of life of our common folk; iv.—To propagate the production of educational films, and news reels, which are highly beneficial and informative to the general public.

The Academy will have an advisory council consisting of at least 5 eminent scholars. They will guide the general policy of Academy and advice it on the various subjects in the film line. The Council will also announce the annual academical awards every year.

ANNUAL AWARDS.

The Academy will announce annual awards on the New Year's day to the following:—

i. Best film of the year; ii. Best Muslim social picture of the year; iii. Best Hindu mythological picture of the year; iv. Best director of the year; v. Best actor of the year; vi. Best actress of the year.

The membership of the Academy will be open to private individuals, picture houses, distributing agencies, and film companies.

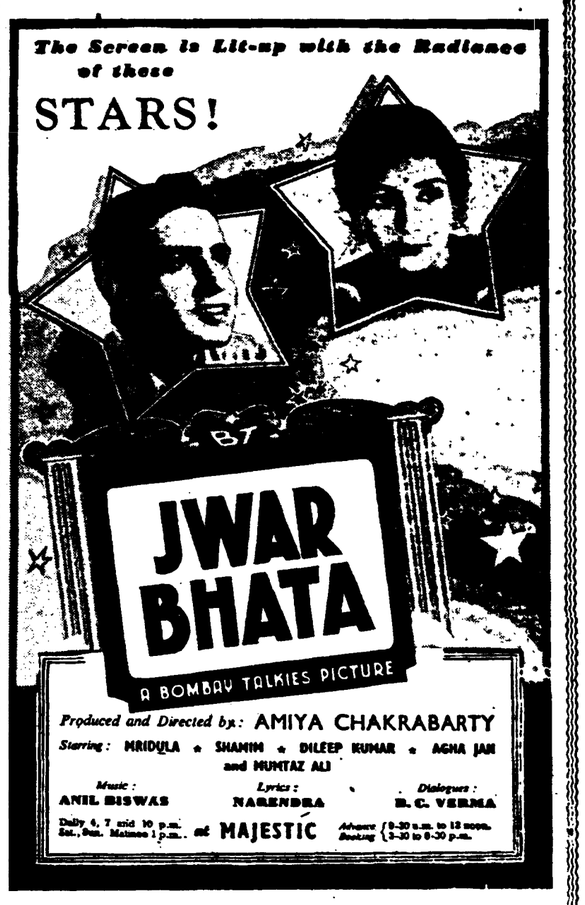
A monthly magazine will be issued by the Academy, when the necessary permit is obtained from the authorities.

The convener invites suggestions from those who are interested in the development of film industry.

SECOND PART OF BOMBAY 15-YEAR PLAN

BOMBAY, Friday.

The second part of the Indian Industrialists Fifteen-Year Plan is now ready and it will shortly be published. It covers the question of distribution of the national income and the role of the State in the economic development and organisation of the coutry. The publication of this report is expected about the middle of January.—A. P.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SEVEN SWEETHEARTS
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Mon. Morn. at 10-30 a. m.
BLOSSOMS IN THE DUST
W. Pidgeon, Greer Garson

CAPITOL Sunday 10 a.m.
"SON OF FURY"
TYRONE POWER
GENE TIERNEY

PARADISE
Daily: 4, 6-45 & 9-45 p. m.
FRANK SINATRA, MICHELE MORGAN
JACK HALEY, In.
"HIGHER And HIGHER"
TOMORROW MORN. at 10-30
BUD ABBOTT LOU COSTELLO, In
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The love of the and the Voice of Europe confirm its in great ad invain

The church belling once against the Battle of Malta on.

The heroic deeds in Army, the Royal Air Force, and the navy assisting the sterling services S. Aircraft Cider "Wasp," during Malta will ner be forgotten. Spitfire product of Mr. ell's genius swept above Malta, and swept those of the country in her hour of trial. The order had to endure greater than in any country — over 30 air raids. The people have listened the eldritch screaming more than a thousand times; and each night five months they fled — once for out of 24 hours.

The debt that England owes to Malta is very great. These are the must remember these are the things we pay.

The Epic would not be complete if we omitted the names of six valiant airmen who excelled even the deeds of their fellow-men in the Battle of Britain. Four of them came from the British Isles, one from Canada and one from South Africa. Two things they shared, youth and that heritage which is common to all of British blood, whether they come from the prairies of the New World, the 'Veldt' or the green fields of England. They have left behind them in Malta a memory and — their names.

G. BURGESS P. W. HARTLEY P. O. KEEBLE
A. C. MARTIN J. L. WATERS W. J. WOODS

These are the names of Malta's first fighter-pilots. They have become a legend, the legend of six young paladins. Six against a host, who challenged and outfought Mussolini's vaunted Regia Aeronautica with three superannuated Gloster-Gladiator bi-planes named "FAITH", "HOPE" and "CHARITY." When these boys took to the air, the first prayer the Maltese uttered was not for safety from the crashing bombs—but for the protection of those boys fighting thousands of feet overhead.

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CITY MARKETS

SHARE MARKET

BOMBAY, Dec. 29.

The Share market remains closed. The undertone of the market is reported to be quieter.

Tata Steel Defds are talked off around Rs. 2,222/8, Bombay Dyeing Rs. 1,925, Indian Iron Rs. 40/14 and Bengal Steel Rs. 33/8.

3-1/2 p c Government Paper is reported around Rs. 99/13/6.

BOMBAY COTTON

The Cotton market was again quiet. A hesitant feeling prevailed due to the apathetic attitude of the bull operators.

I. C. C. March opened around Rs. 441 and the rate fluctuated between Rs. 440/12 and Rs. 442.

Later on the market improved in purchases by bull operators. March touched Rs. 444/4. The market is still hesitating to move up but the tendency on the whole remains constructive.

Closing quotations :—

I.C.C. March ..... Rs. 443-0
I.C.C. May ..... Rs. 454-4

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing.
I.C.C. March	444-1/2	440-1/2	442-3/4
I.C.C. May	454-1/2	451	454-1/2

PARITY : March 495 cent Pts. below N. Y. March at Ex. 331.

NEW YORK COTTON.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.

Early buying was irregular and hesitant but prices then steadied on increased trade buying and price-fixing against textile awards and Spanish business. Hedging was limited and emphasis was placed on the increasing effects of Government support programmes together with pressure for upward revision of the parity price formula and the usual inflationary psychology. Prices held steady on persistent dribbling trade buying, particularly in July and October, probably based on the theory that there will be no important changes in the cotton programme of 1945.

NEW YORK COTTON

January	21.84
March	21.99
May	21.93
Middling Spot	22.39
NEW ORLEANS COTTON	
March	22.00
May	21.94
July	21.64
Middling Spot	21.50
NOON CALL	
March	21.97
May	21.90
July	21.58

GOLD & SILVER

The market opened steady and improved due to short covering. The Reserve Bank sold to-day only 50,000 tolas of Gold at Rs. 72-6 and 700 bars of Silver at Rs. 128/10. To-morrow being Saturday no offers will be made. Monday is a Bank holiday and hence the Reserve Bank will offer gold and silver on Tuesday. Reports that the Reserve Bank effected to-day sales of only 50,000 tolas changed the sentiment and prices advanced substantially both in Gold as well as Silver.

Gold opened to-day at Rs. 72/4 and the rate after improving to Rs. 73/8 reacted to Rs. 73. Later on the price again firmed up to Rs. 75.

Silver for delivery after opening at Rs. 129 improved to Rs. 130/4 but reacted to Rs. 130. On fresh support the rate again improved Rs. 131/14.

Gold finished at Rs. 74/10 and Silver at Rs. 131/8, Ready 999 fineness Silver closed at Rs. 131/12 and Sovereign Rs. 51/8.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Spot 23-1/2 Forward 23-1/2 Gold Bars fine per oz. £8/8/0

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, Dec. 28.

T. T. London on :—
New York sellers 4.02-1/2 buyers 4.03-1/2 Madrid official 44.00 Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47 Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4 Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (New Crop) 41 Dec/Nov quoted
Wheat Australian (Bulk) 45 Dec/January quoted
Wheat Australian (Bags) 48 Dec/January quoted

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Dec. 28.

	£
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c	72-3/4
Consols 2-2 p c	81-9/16
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	106-1/16
War Loan 3-1/2 p c	104-1/16
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	113-5/8
Victory Bonds 4 p c	113-3/4
Chartered Bank of I. A. & China	10-5/8
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	82
National Bank of India	42

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Dec. 29.

LONDON Banks buying 90 Days/s. 1/6 1/4 1 & 2 months.
LONDON Banks buying 90 Days/s. 1/6 9/32 3 to 6 months.
B. C. Rates. T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks sell T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buy T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 1/8
LDN/NEW YORK. dol. 4.02-1/2/3-1/2
Banks sell T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buy T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327
LDN/MONTREAL. dol. 4.43/47.
Banks sell T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs 302 1/2
Banks buy T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 1/4.
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Dull.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 p c. Bank of England Rate 2 p c.
Money :—Call, one and two months 1/4 p c. 3 to 5 months 1/2 p c 6 to 11 months 3/4 p c, 12 months 1 1/4 p c
Tone :—Very Easy.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA.

An Account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 22nd day of December 1944 :—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

LIABILITIES : Notes held in the Banking Department Rs. 8,30,13,000; Notes in circulation Rs. 999,90,39,000; Total Notes issued Rs. 1,008,20,52,000. Total Liabilities Rs. 1,008,20,52,000.

ASSETS : A. Gold Coin and Bullion :—(a) Held in India Rs. 44,41,43,000; Sterling Securities Rs. 891,32,59,000; Total of A Rs. 935,74,32,000; B. Rupee Coin Rs. 14,62,15,000; Government of India Rupee Securities Rs. 57,84,05,000. Total Assets Rs. 1,008,20,52,000.

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities : 92.813 per cent.

Statement of the affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 22nd December 1944 :—

LIABILITIES : Capital paid up Rs. 5,00,00,000; Reserve Fund Rs. 5,00,00,000; Deposits :—(a) Government (1) Central Government of India Rs. 248,37,39,000; (2) Government of Burma Rs. 51,34,000; (3) Other Government Accounts Rs. 13,23,66,000; (b) Banks Rs. 76,32,81,000; (c) Others Rs. 19,54,54,000; Bills Payable Rs. 3,10,52,000; Other Liabilities Rs. 10,20,31,000. Total Rs. 381,30,57,000.

ASSETS : Notes Rs. 8,30,13,000; Rupee Coin Rs. 27,03,000; Subsidiary Coin Rs. 2,07,000; Bills Purchased and Discounted :—(c) Government Treasury Bills Rs. 99,93,000; Balances held abroad* Rs. 352,83,87,000; Loans and Advances to Governments Rs. 8,00,000; Other Loans and Advances Rs. 50,000; Investments Rs. 14,90,99,000; Other Assets Rs. 3,88,05,000. Total Rs. 381,30,57,000.

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Russia Assures Protection

Anglo-American Oil Interests In Rumania

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.

It was learned from a well-informed source here today that the United States and British Governments have asked Russia for an explanation of her removal of certain equipment from Rumanian oilfields. They are understood to have urged upon the Soviet Government that Anglo-American financial interests in Rumanian oilfields should be protected and nothing should be done to reduce the output or to prejudice the importance of the oilfields to the economy of south-east Europe.

The Soviet reply is believed to have said that most of the equipment taken from the oilfields was German and was urgently needed inside the Soviet Union to replace destroyed equipment. The assurance that Russia will protect Anglo-American financial interests and develop the fields in the interest of the general war effort is also believed to have accompanied this explanation.

It was stated in Washington that American representatives on the Allied Control Commission for Rumania have not been permitted to go to the oilfields. Shell and Standard Oil concerns have interests in Rumania.—Reuter.

Switzerland To Repeal Anti-Communist Laws

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The Swiss radio said tonight the Swiss Federal Parliament has decided to repeal anti-communist laws.—Reuter.

INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Indian Congressmen in Britain have arranged to celebrate "Independence" Day on 26th January. Five M. P.'s including Lord Strabolgi will address a meeting in London.

Levy Test Cases Contemplated

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 29.

Dr Chandulal Desai and Dinker Rao Desai are going to Bombay the day after to-morrow to consult Mr. Bhulabhai Desai Kanaiyalal Munshi and Mr. Motilal Setalwad about the levy plan. It is learnt that if counsel advised some test cases at several centres in Gujrat, they will be attempted.

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TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

Tenders for Rs. Six Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Thursday, the 28th December 1944. Total amount offered was Rs. 8,58,25,000—(Rupees eight crores fifty-eight lakhs twenty-five thousand only). Tenders at Rs. 99-13-9 and above were accepted in full. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 2,53,25,000—(Rupees two crores fifty-three lakhs twenty-five thousand only), the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-8-10 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Six Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Wednesday, the 3rd January 1945 in Bombay upto 11 a.m. (Standard Time) and upto the close of business on Tuesday, the 2nd January 1945, at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 5th January 1945. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 22nd December 1944, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 2,87,75,000—(Rupees two crores eighty-seven lakhs seventy-five thousand only) were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

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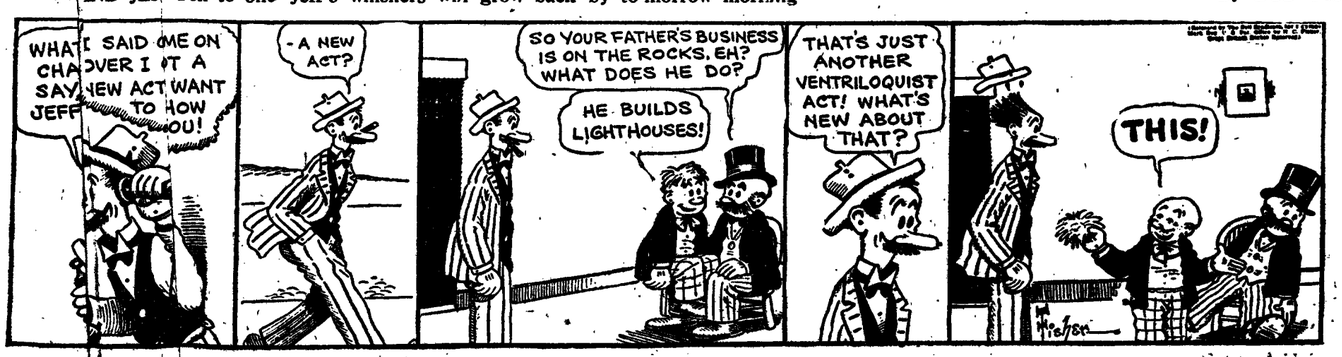
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE.

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1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report, Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 30th April 1944.
2. To declare a Dividend and Bonus.
3. To elect two Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors for the year ending 30th April 1945 and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 12th to 26th JANUARY, 1945, both days inclusive, and during that period the Books of the Company will be available for inspection by Shareholders during office hours.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
DAVID SASSOON & CO. LTD.,
(Sd.) A. PETHER,
Manager,

Secretaries, Treasurers & Agents.
Bombay, 29th December, 1944.
(1571)

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

BOMBAY SUBURBAN SERVICE

THE NORMAL TIME TABLE Service will be resumed on the B. B. & C. I. Railway's Bombay Suburban Section on Tuesday, January 2nd, 1945. (1563)

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A restricted number of Half Anna Token Tickets will, however, be available for a further three months.

TRAFFIC MANAGER.
Bombay, 23rd December, 1944.
1499

NOTICE

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

Quotations for the supply of lorries on hire for removal of materials will be received upto 1 p.m. (Bombay Time) on Wednesday the 10th day of January, 1945.

Quotations should be sent in sealed envelopes superscribed "Quotation for the supply of lorries on hire for removal of materials required by the Mechanical Branch" addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort Bombay with a deposit of Rs. 2,000/-. Form of quotation and Memo of terms & conditions will be issued to any one deputed to receive them by the Mechanical Engineer.

The Mechanical Engineer will, on application at his office at the Municipal Workshops, Foras Road, Bombay, give any further information that may be required.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any quotation.

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK
City Engineer.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 23-12-1944. 1568

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L. W. BOULTER,
General Manager & Engineer. 1556

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Summary Suit No. 1210 of 1944

SHANTILAL N. SHAH, of Bombay residing at Matunga, Bombay. .... Plaintiff

versus.

MANUBHAI P. CONTRACTOR alias GAJJAR, of Bombay, residing at Cadell Road, Shivaji Park, Bombay..... Defendant.

To,

MANUBHAI P. CONTRACTOR alias GAJJAR,

The Defendant abovenamed.

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has filed this suit against you to recover the sum of Rs. 3,000/- being the balance of the loan of Rs. 5,000/- advanced by him with interest thereon at 6 per cent per annum from the date of the institution of the suit till Judgment, costs of this suit and further interest on Judgment till payment. YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to cause an appearance to be entered for you in this Honourable Court within 10 days from the date of the publication hereof, in default the Plaintiff will be entitled at any time thereafter to obtain Decree against you as prayed for.

If you enter an appearance the Plaintiff will serve upon you a Summons for Judgment when you will be entitled to ask for leave to defend this suit.

Dated this 5th day of October, 1944.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd) K. K. DASTUR,
For Prothonotary & Senior Master.

(Sd.) MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay. 1558

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

An Ordinary Monthly Meeting of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on Monday, the 8th January 1945, at 2 P.M. (Bombay Time), for the consideration of the following business:—

1. Interpellations.

2-4. Letters from the authorities of the (2) Muslim Girls Orphanage; (3) Dadar Bhagini Samaj; and (4) Agripada Peoples' Welfare League—Applying for grants-in-aid of their respective institutions for the year 1945-46 and stating reasons for the delay in sending the applications.

5. Letter from the Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, Local Self-Government Institute, Bombay Presidency—Inviting the Corporation to appoint delegates to the Provincial Conference of Local Bodies to be held in Bombay.

6. Letter from Mr. Chhotalal Jekisondas Ghia, Advocate, High Court—Forwarding an application from a discharged assistant lady teacher of Nagdevi Gujarati Municipal School for reinstatement in service.

7. Budget Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the year 1945-46 framed by the Standing Committee under Section 126 of the Municipal Act.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE—

8. Regarding the modification of the Revised Leave Rules for New Entrants so as to include certain staff of the Municipal Printing Press under Superior Service.

9. Regarding the payment of a special pay to an Inspector of the Water Works Department.

10. Regarding a scheme for awarding long service and good conduct medals for distinguished service, etc., to the Fire Brigade Staff.

11. Regarding the provision of a travelling dispensary in the Outside City Division for the staff of the Water Works Department.

12. Regarding modification of Rule No. 91 of the Municipal Service Regulations.

13. Regarding amendment of the Municipal Provident Fund Regulations for expediting the settlement of Provident Fund claims.

14. Regarding the creation of certain temprcrary posts.

15. Regarding the method suggested by the Municipal Chief Auditor for maintaining a register of outstanding property tax bills.

16. Regarding the modification of Rule 1 of the Revised Leave Rules for New Entrants so as to exclude from the operation thereof certain employees of the Fire Brigade Department.

17. Recommending an additional grant to write off the loss on the working of the Asphalt Plant at Worli.

18. Regarding permission to unpaid male or female nurses to work at the Arthur Road Hospital for training in infectious diseases.

19. Regarding the Test Audit Officer's Report on the working of the Estate Agent and Land Manager's Department.

20. Regarding incorporation of a new rule in the Municipal Service Regulations permitting the Dean and professorial staff of the Seth G. S. Medical College to attend the Meetings, etc., of certain institutions.

21. Forwarding quarterly statement of outstanding wheel tax bills.

22. Recommending additional grant to meet the cost of a special clerk appointed in connection with the work of looking after A.R.P. accounts.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEES—

23. Regarding the housing scheme for the people dishoused owing to the explosions in the docks.

24. Regarding a revised estimate for laying water mains in certain roads in Sion, Scheme No. 6.

25. Regarding revised estimates for laying at 6" water main in the Road connecting Arthur Road and Gas Works Lane.

26. Regarding the work of filling in and providing pitching on the north and south slopes of Dharavi Road to the east of the Post Office.

27. Regarding the milk supply situation in the City.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSIONER—

28. Forwarding list showing the breeding places of Malaria carrying mosquito detected in October and November 1944.

29. Forwarding the monthly Chemical and Bacteriological Reports on the Bombay Water Supplies.

30. Reporting the delivering over by Mr. M. D. Bhat, I.C.S., and receipt by Mr. U. M. Mirchandani, I.C.S., of the charge of the office of the Municipal Commissioner.

31. Forwarding quarterly statement of motor vehicles taxed and exempted.

GOVERNMENT LETTERS—

32. Regarding permission to sanction supplementary grants-in-aid to certain aided primary schools in the City.

33. Regarding the confirmation of the amendment of a Rule of the Municipal Pension, etc., Regulations.

34. Regarding the appointment of the Corporation's representatives on the Post-War Reconstruction Committee to be set up by Government to deal with the problems of housing, town planning, etc.

35. Letter from Mr. M. D. Bhat, M.A., I.C.S.—Thanking the Corporation for their Resolution appreciating his services as Municipal Commissioner.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MUNICIPAL SECRETARY—

36. Submitting a statement of references pending before the Committees of the Corporation.

37. Submitting a quarterly list of unanswered references from the Commissoner.

38. Submitting a statement of Interpellations remaining unreplied to by the Commissioner.

39. Confirmation of the Special Committees' Proceedings.

40. Schools Committee's letters—Forwarding copies of the Committee's Proceedings.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS—

41. From Mr. P. K. Savant—For arranging at regular intervals informal conferences of Councillors and representatives of institutions doing social welfare work with heads of departments to discuss matters relating to sanitation, health and water supply of the City, etc.

42-44. From Mr. Khimji M. Bhujpuria, seconded by Mr. R. K. Achrekar—For (42) moving the G.I.P. Railway authorities to adopt the system prevailing in the B. B. & C. I. Railway of showing the non-stopping stations on the indicators at their stations; (43) inviting the attention of the G.I.P. Railway authorities to the inconvenience caused to passengers in catching trains at V. T. on account of the delay in changing the indicator boards; and (44) moving the G.I.P. Railway authorities to paint the names and figures on the indicators and time dials at their stations in white colour on a black background so as to render them clearly legible at night time.

45. From Mr. S. K. Patil—For creating a Special Fund to be named as "Water Fund" for meeting a part of the expenditure on the augmentation and distribution of the City's water supply.

46. From Dr. G. R. A. Sheikh, seconded by Mr. Mirza Akhtar Hasan—For paying overtime wages to peons of the Corporation and Standing Committee office.

47. From Dr. Homi F. Pavri—For requesting the B.E.S. & T. Co., Ltd., to take immediate measures to relieve the over-crowding in tram cars and buses, etc.

48-54. From Mr. B. J. Deorukhkar—For obtaining reports from the Commissioner for (48) storing of rice for the use of citizens in view of the apprehended shortage of rice; (49) repairing urinals, latrines, etc., in the City; (50) constructing rooms for housing the menial staff of the K.E.M. Hospital; (51) creating the post of a Deputy Executive Health Officer; (52) separating the Conservancy Branch from the Health Department; (53) granting a Dearness Allowance of Rs. 25 per month to Municipal employees drawing salary upto Rs. 300 per month and (54) constructing rooms for housing the employees of the Conservancy Branch of the Health Department.

55. From Mr. P. K. Savant—For making payment of salaries before the 15th of every month to the staff employed for the Government Subsidized Milk Scheme.

56. From Mr. R. A. Gole—For expanding Municipal Dispensaries by furnishing them with up-to-date equipment, drugs, etc.

57-59—From Mr. Khimji M. Bhujpuria, seconded by Mr. R. K. Achrekar—For (57) providing sanitary conveniences at the junction of Narsi Natha Street and Masjid Bunder Road, etc.; (58) urging upon the B.E.S. & T. Co., Ltd., to adopt certain measures for minimising the hardship caused to the public travelling by 'K' Route Bus Service; and (59) urging upon the B.B. & C.I. Railway authorities the desirability of providing in the Post War Reconstruction Programme for certain amenities at their Railway Stations, etc.

60. From Mr. Khimji M. Bhujpuria—For urging upon the G.I.P. Railway authorities the desirability of providing in the Post War Reconstruction Programme for certain amenities at their Railway stations, etc.

By Order of His Worship the Mayor,
B. V. MODY,
Municipal Secretary.

Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 29th December 1944.
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THE MYSORE SPG. & MFG. CO., LTD.

NOTICE

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 12th January, 1945 to FRIDAY, the 26th January, 1945, both days inclusive.

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29th December, 1944. 1553

G. I. P. RAILWAY

REVISION OF TIMINGS OF SUBURBAN TRAIN SERVICES

With effect from 1st January, 1945, timings of some of the Suburban trains will be revised and therefore a new time table will come into force from that date. For revised timings please see Sheet Time Tables exhibited at all Suburban stations on and from 1st January 1945. Copies of the new time table will be available from principal Suburban booking offices or Book stalls. 1554

PUBLIC NOTICES

G. I. P. RAILWAY EMPLOYMENT

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill 19 temporary posts (raised to permanent) Candidates pay - p.m. (which has been raised to Rs. 35/- p.m. for the duration), on the Sholapur Division. Candidates should have at least the Matriculation or equivalent examination. After the necessary departmental examination Untrained Cadres will be promoted as Trained Grade on Rs. 40/- in the scale of Rs. 30-4-50 as vacancies occur. Candidates should not be over 18 years and more than 25 years of age on 1-2-1945. PARTICULARS AND FORMS OF APPLICATION ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THE DIVISIONAL TRAFFIC MANAGER, G. I. P. RY., SHOLAPUR, on PAYMENT of Re. 1/- BY MONEY ORDER BEFORE 12TH JANUARY. The application formsfilled in together with the following copies of certificates should be sent to the Divisional Traffic Manager, Sholapur before 25th January 1945. Full name and address should be entered in BLOCK LETTERS on the Coupon. Selected candidates will be called to appear for examination and also for interview, if necessary. Applicants called for examination or interview should attend at their own expense. Payment of the prescribed fee for the application does not guarantee that each candidate applying will be called for examination or for an interview appointed. In no circumstances this fee be refunded. Any attempt to influence a candidate's selection will disqualify him/her for consideration as a candidate. Successful candidates will have to pass a prescribed medical examination before appointment. 1560

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BOMBAY.

PROPOSED TOWNING SCHEME—I.

NOTICE

THE ATTENTION of the Public is hereby drawn to section 15 of the Bombay Town Planning Act, 1915 and in particular to the provisions of Section 15 which are as follows:—

RESTRICTION ON DECLARATION

"15. (1) Where the authority has published a declaration of intention to make a scheme—(a) no person shall within the area included in the scheme erect or proceed with any building work or remove, pull down or alter any building or remove any stone or material from any building or part of a building which shall be obtained the necessary permission which shall be indicated in a commencement certificate granted by the said authority in the manner prescribed"....

The Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay at the 7th December, 1944 published a declaration of intention to make a scheme within the area described in the schedule hereto for the purpose of the said declaration.

Even although proposals have already been submitted and approved under the Municipal Act a "Commencement Certificate" under Section 15 of the Bombay Town Planning Act must be applied for and obtained before the work is commenced or proceeded with. Failure to obtain such a certificate will, inter alia, render the person

N. MODAK,
City Engineer,
Bombay Municipality.
Municipal Office
Bombay, 30th December, 1944.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NAVITL CHOTALAL GADHI has agreed to sell the undermentioned property to our clients free from encumbrances

A person having any claim against or to the property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, lease, gift, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Chambers, Meadows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the said sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the said sale if it will be registered as valid.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of vacant land or ground being plots No. 5 and 6 of the Private Scheme known as Javerbaug Estate Scheme admeasuring 580 and 3 sq. yds. bearing C. S. Nos. 2064 and 2065 being of Old S. No. 1 of Mahim Division being portions of a larger piece of land admeasuring 13,44 sq. yds. situate at Shiv Bazar Road Extension off Lady Jadhi Road, Mahim and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under G. Ward Nos. 5(1) (4) and 7, St. No. 201-C; 5726(1), No. 29; 5725 (1A), St. No. 5725(3), St. No. B; 5725(2), No. 23B; 5726(2), No. 33 to 5725(1AB), St. No. 23A.

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